

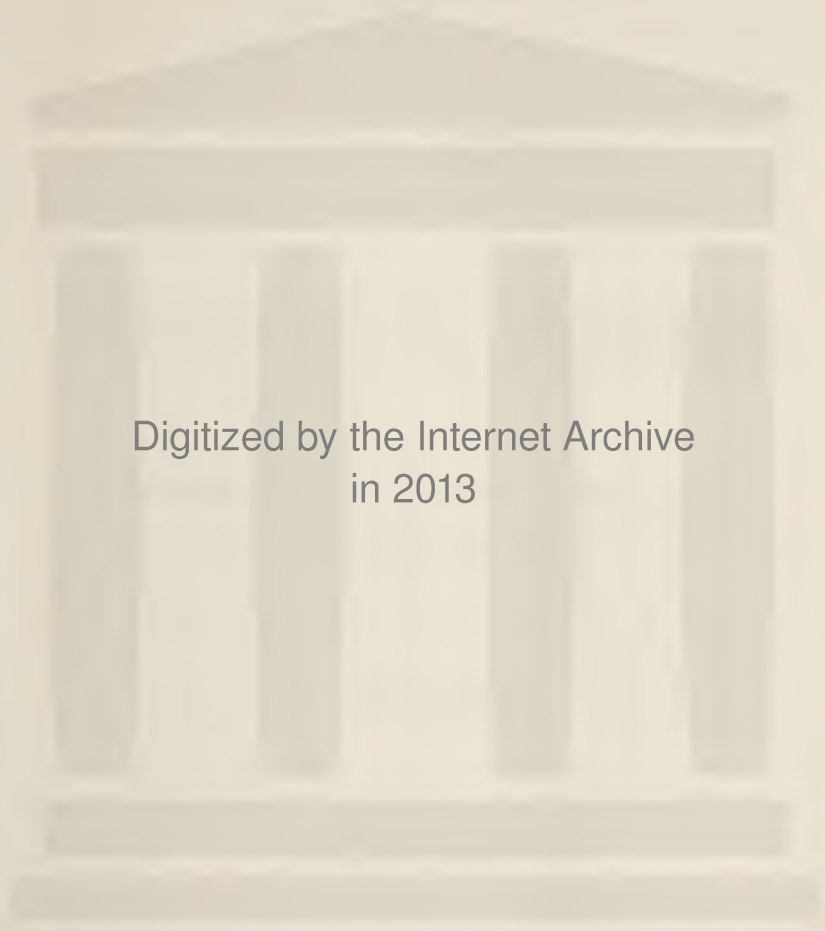
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Manuscript Light on Chaplain James
Caldwell's Death.

BY JOSEPH F. FOLSOM.

Some papers, long lost from sight, which relate to the career and the death of the famous Chaplain James Caldwell of Elizabethtown were bought by the Historical Society on November 22, 1915, at an auction sale of some of the books and historical documents of the late William Nelson, held at the American Art Galleries, Madison Square South, New York City. Especially important among these documents are a number of legal papers which directly relate to Caldwell's tragic death at the hands of James Morgan, a sentinel, on November 24, 1781, at Elizabethtown Point. They include the report of the inquest held by Isaac Woodruff, Esquire, Mayor of the Borough of Elizabethtown, to which the signatures of the Mayor and of twenty-one jurors are subscribed; the voluntary confession of James Morgan, and a number of the depositions made by witnesses of the shooting, with a recognizance binding certain of the witnesses to appear at the next Court of Oyer and Terminer, to be held at Newark. A letter and a discharge each signed by Caldwell in 1778, are also included in the purchase.

The existence of these papers probably was unknown to the local historians of the nineteenth century. Sketches of Caldwell's life by Rev. Edwin F. Hatfield, D. D., in his "History of Elizabeth" and by Rev. Nicholas Murray, D. D., in Volume Three, First Series, of the Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society, seem to show that tradition and contemporary newspaper reports were the main sources of material. An examination of the legal papers may lead some to agree with the late Captain William De Hart, of Elizabeth, who suggested that Morgan possibly should have been tried by a military rather than a civil court, which suggestion, it is said, aroused Dr. Murray to a defense of the verdict that hung Morgan.

James Caldwell, the patriot preacher, was born in April, 1734, at Cub Creek, Charlotte County, Va. He entered the College of New Jersey, then at Newark, under the leadership of Rev. Aaron Burr, and was graduated in 1759, after the college had been removed to Princeton, its president at that time being Rev. Samuel Davies. Caldwell was ordained September 17, 1760, by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, and appointed to supply vacant churches in the South. Called to the Elizabethtown church, he was installed pastor in March, 1762, by the Presbytery of New York.

Caldwell's ardent temperament led him to throw all his energy on the side of independence at the outbreak of the Revolution. His congregation upheld him, and there is a list of forty commissioned officers from that body, headed by the name of Governor William Livingston. Caldwell in May, 1776, went as far as Johnstown, N. Y., with Colonel Elias Dayton's regiment, on its way to relieve the forces before Quebec. He was not only chaplain of the New Jersey Brigade, but assistant commissary general until his death. At Springfield on June 23, 1780, occurred the memorable incident when Caldwell, on the British attack, having entered the church and taken the hymn books for gun-wadding, called to the troops, "Put Watts into them, boys!" His wife was shot by the

British in a house at Connecticut Farms on June 8, 1780.

The chaplain, on November 24, 1781, went to Elizabethtown Point, to meet at the wharf there, Miss Beulah Murray, who had come from New York. He went on board the vessel and ordered some goods to be brought on deck, which he said he would carry to a magistrate to be examined for anything condemnable.

Miss Murray was already in a conveyance brought by Caldwell, when a sentinel observed that she held a parcel tied in a handkerchief, and proposed to examine it, as possibly contraband. Caldwell said he would return it to the sloop, and was in the act of doing so, when Morgan, stationed on the sloop, told him to stop, and then deliberately shot him.

The following papers relating to the death of Caldwell at the hands of Morgan are printed in chronological order. Following the legal papers will be printed a letter and an order, each written by Caldwell.

"An Inquisition indented, taken at Elizabeth Town in the Borough of Elizabeth and County of Essex aforesaid, the twenty fourth Day of November, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand, seven hundred and eighty one, before me Isaac Woodruff, Esquire, Mayor of the said Borough of Elizabeth, in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey, upon view of the Body of the Reverend Mr. James Caldwell, Minister of the Gospel then and there lying dead, upon the oaths of Jonathan J. Dayton, Isaac Arnett, Moses Hetfield, Aaron Hetfield, Matthias Crane, William Clark, Benjamin Winans, John Potter, Thomas Quigley, William Crane, George Price, Bointen Remsen, Mellyn Miller, Edward Thomas, Samuel Woodruff, William Woodruff, Samuel Smith, Daniel Searle, Joseph Hawkins, David Lyon & Samuel Lee—good and lawful men of the Borough aforesaid who being sworn & charged to inquire on the Part and Behalf of the said State of New Jersey, when, where, how and after what Manner the said James Caldwell came to his Death & say upon their Oath, that:

"One James Morgan——late of Elizabeth Town, not having God before his Eyes, but being moved & seduced by the Instigation of the Devil, on the twenty-fourth Day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, seven hundred and eighty one, at three o'clock in the Afternoon of the same Day, with Force and Arms at Elizabeth Town in the County aforesaid, in and upon

the aforesaid James Caldwell then & there being in the Peace of God and of the said State, feloniously, voluntarily & of malice aforethought, made an assault.

"And the aforesaid James Morgan then and there with a certain Musquet, charged with Powder and Lead, of the Value of five shillings, which he the said James Morgan then & there held in his Hands, the aforesaid James Caldwell just above his Breast Bone did discharge thro his Body, thro the Left Shoulder Blade, and one mortal Wound of the Breadth of one Inch and of the Depth of six Inches, did give, of which said mortal wound, the aforesaid James Caldwell then & there instantly died.

"And so the said James Morgan then & there feloniously killed and murdered the said James Caldwell, against the Peace of the State, the Government & Dignity of the Same.

"And moreover the Jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do say, that the said James Morgan had not nor as yet hath any Goods or Chattels, Lands or Tenements, within the County aforesaid or elsewhere to the knowledge of the said Jurors, In witness whereof as well the aforesaid Mayor, as the Jurors aforesaid have to this Inquisition put their Seals on the Day & Year aforesaid, and at the Place aforesaid.

"Isaac Woodruff, Jonathan I. Dayton, Isaac Arnett, Moses Hatfield, Aaron Hatfield, Matthias Crane, William Clark, Benjamin Winans, John Potter 3rd, Thomas Quigley, Wm. Crane, George Price, Boynton Remsen, Melyn Miller, Edward Thomas, Samuel Woodruff, William Woodruff, Samuel Smith, Daniel Sale, Joseph Hawkins, David Lyon, Samuel Lee."

The signed names, as may be seen, vary in several instances from the manner in which they are written in the body of the document. John Potter adds "3rd" to his name. Bointon Remsen signs his first name Boynton, and Daniel Searle his surname Sale. Dayton signs himself Jonathan I. instead of J., and Mellyn Miller is satisfied to write one "l" in his first name. Next chronologically comes the first deposition by a witness, that of Anthony Palmer:

"County of Essex ss. Personally appeared before me, Isaac Woodruff, one of the Justices of S'd county, Anthony Palmer, who being Duly sworn Deposeth & saith that after Mr. Caldwell had been in the Boat, he, S'd Caldwell got into his Chaise & Palmer see Mr. Caldwell have a hamper — he then said to Mr. Caldwell I be-

lieve I must siez you in the name of the thirteen United States for I believe you have got contraband goods. Mr. Caldwell then answered he did not know what it was. Caldwell then said he would bring it on Bord again & Palmer told him he might; this deponent further saith that he did not call to James Morgan on Bord the Boat, but as Mr. Caldwell was going to the Boat Morgan shot s'd Caldwell & this deponent did not hear one word spock from Morgan to Mr. Caldwell and further saith not.

"Sworn before me this

his

"25 Day of Nov.r, 1781

Anthony X Palmer

"Isaac Woodruff.

mark"

"The Examination and Voluntary Confession of James Morgan (A Prisoner in Custody for the Murder of the Rev'd James Caldwell) who saith:

"That he has been nine years and a half in North America, that he was born in Herefordshire in England, that he landed in Charlestown, that he bought a place near Portsmouth in Virginia and there resided about 18 Months, that he then served on board a Continental sloop of War in capacity of Steward 10 Months, that he afterward entered as Sergeant of the First Reg't of Artillery, commanded by Capt'n Harrison, that afterwards he lived in Philadelphia and kept a Public House with legal Permission, that he entered into the seven months service in the Pennsylvania line, then he came to Elizabeth Town and entered into the twelve months service.

"That he was on duty and had the Command of the Guard at Elizabeth Town Point at the time of the fatal accident happening to Mr. Caldwell on Saturday, the 24th inst., that after Mr. Caldwell came to the Point and was on board of the flagg, he, the Examinant, saw two hampers of wine & Porter and some bale Goods brought on Deck, that Mr. Caldwell said he would carry the above mentioned goods to a Magistrate in the waggon (then at the Shore) and if there was anything condemnable, he would give this examinant satisfaction, the examinant saying that he was satisfied therewith, that Mr. Caldwell then went on shore (the goods above mentioned remaining on board), that this Examinant Did not see Mr. Caldwell go on shore nor see him on shore, untill he heard one Palmer, a Centinel, on shore say stop, that he this Examinant immediately said stop and threatened that if he did not stop he would shoot him, after which he picked up his gun and brought it to a charge (showing the Bayonet charge) in which position she went off, that he, this Examinant, did not know Mr. Caldwell as he was approaching the vessel, who it was he bid to

stop, nor who it was that was killed by the discharge of the gun untill Lieut. Woodruff came out of the Cabin and mentioned who it was, and that afterwards this Examinant picked up the handkerchief that Mr. Caldwell had Dropped, saying that he was sorry for the accident, but since it was so he was glad to find some Contraband goods with this man who was so cryed up for his honesty, that he, the Examinant, had never known Mr. Caldwell & did not know him when came on board the vessel, untill he was informed who he was.

“Taken this 26th day of Nov'r, 1781,

“Before me, Matthias Halsted.”

“State of New Jersey,

“County of Essex.

“William Halley, late a prisoner with the enemy but escaped from within the British lines, personally appeared before me, William Burnet, Esq.r, one of Judges of the Court of Common pleas and also one of the Justices assigned to keep the peace in and for the said county, On oath Declareth and saith that being in New York about fifteen days ago, he verily believes he saw James Morgan (now in Custody for the Murder of the Rev.d James Caldwell) in a tavern there, that he saw him, or verily believes he saw him, in the house of one Day five or six times, and that on the most thorough view and examination of the Prisoner, he verily believes him to be the same Man he then and there did see.

“Sworn this 26th day of Nov.r, 1781,

“Before me, William Burnet.

William Halley
(signature)”

“Essex County ss: Personally appeared before me Isaac Woodruff Esqr. one of the justices of the peace of sd county Henry Linch who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that on the twenty fourth instant Novem'r he this deponent was at Elizabeth Town Point and about three of the clock of said day he saw the Reverend Mr. James Caldwell Sitting in a wriding chair at said Point and he this deponent herd a certain Soldier then on his post by the name of Anthony Palmer ask Mr. Caldwell what he had in his chair box. Mr. Caldwell say'd only a few trifling things said Palmer said he must see what they were Mr. Caldwell made answer he would take them on board the flag Boat and there he the said Palmer might see them, accordingly he the said Caldwell went towards the Boat with a small bundle in his hand tied in a handkerchief, then this deponent heard James Morgan say to Mr. Caldwell I'll not let you come on Board no by God I wont Ill shoot

you. Stand damn your eyes, upon wich Mr. Caldwell immediatly stoped. He this deponant then saw the said James Morgan instantly cock his gun and bring it partly up to his face and fired. he this deponant then saw the blood gush forth out of the mouth of the said Caldwell and saw him step off of a stick of timber which helped to compose the wharf and then in a staggering manner endeavored to go farther in which attempt he the said Caldwell fell to the earth and instantly died, and further this deponant saith not.

“Henry Lynch.

“Sworn before me this
“twenty ninth day of Nov. 1781
“Isaac Woodruff”.

“Essex county personally appeared before me Isaac Woodruff, Esqr. one of Justices of peace of said County William Fielding and being duly sworn deposeth and saith that on the twenty fourth of Nov'r Ins. he this deponant was in company with the above said Henry Lynch at Elizabeth Town point and saith that the above depositeon as it stands wrote it just and true and further saith not. Sworn before me this 29th day of Nov. 1781.

“Isaac Woodruff.

his
William X Fielding
mark”

“Essex County ss: Personally appeared before me Isaac Woodruff Esqr. one of the Justices of said County William Holbrook who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that on Saturday the twenty fourth instant Nov he this deponant was at Elizabeth town point on board of a Flag Boat and about three of the clock in the afternoon of said day he saw the Rev. Mr. James Caldwell come to said E town point in a chair and saw said Caldwell walk to the boat and heard said Lt. David Woodruff ask him the said Caldwell to come on Board who appeared as tho it was immaterial whether he came on Board or not, saying he had never been on board of a flagg Boat since the present war (or to that Amount) but on a second request he the said Caldwell came on Board the Flag, soon after which this deponant herd the said James Caldwell conversing with one James Morgan but was not nigh enough to hear what was said, but he this deponant drawing nearer to the said Caldwell and Morgan herd the said Morgan say he would sieze what ever went on shore. Mr. Caldwell sayd if Morgan was dissatisfied with regard to things that was to be sent to town they

should be carried before Alderman Woodruff for Examination, upon which the said Morgan made answer that it was well for he dident believe as Mr. Caldwell was a Law Maker that he would be a Law breaker afterwards this deponant saw Mr. Caldwell standing by his chair and take a small Bondle from under his coat and put it in the Box of the chair and herd the Centinal say to Mr. Caldwell I believe I must sieze you in the name of the United States he this deponant did not hear Mr. Caldwell make any reply but saw him return towards the Boat with the Bondle in his hand, and also herd said Morgan bid said Caldwell stand, and instantly hearing a gun fire he this deponant turned round and saw Mr. Caldwell fall to the ground and died immediately and further saith not.

"Sworn before me this

his

"29th Nov'r. 1781

William X Holbrook

"Isaac. Woodruff

mark"

"Essex County. Personally Appeared before Me Isaac Woodruff Esq., one of the Justices of saith County Lt. David Woodruff who being duly sworn on the Holy evangelist of Almighty God deposit and saith that on the Twenty-fourth day of November, 1781, Instant, he this deponant was at Elizabeth Town Point on Board of a flag Boat and while he was on board of said flag the Reverend Mr. James Caldwell came down to the Point in a chair; he this deponant on seeing Mr. Caldwell Asked him to come on Board of said flag. Mr. Caldwell made answer he only wanted a Certain small Trunk from on Board belonging to a Certain Miss Murry and seemed rather indifferent of coming on Board, But afterwards did come on Board and went into the Cabbin and came out again in a few Minutes. But he this deponant did not see him the said Caldwell go out of the Cabbin he this deponant on coming upon Deck saw the said James Caldwell Advancing Towards the Boat and within Ten or twelve feet of said Boat and immediatly on his, this deponant, seeing said Caldwell in the place and position just mentioned he heard a certain James Morgan who was then on Board the Boat say stop, on which the Rev. Mr. Caldwell did instantly stop & at the same instant this deponant saw said James Morgan Bring his gun to a present and it appeared to this deponant that said Morgan took sight at Mr. Caldwell, and discharged his gun at the same time this deponant saw the Blood Gush out of the mouth of said Caldwell and he the said Caldwell turned partly about and walking a step or two in a staggering manner fell to the Earth, he this deponant Immediately went to Mr. Caldwell and found that he the said Caldwell was dead and further this deponant saith not.

"Sworn before me this

"29 Day of Nov., 1781)

David Woodruff, Lieut."

"Isaac Woodruff.

"Essex County. Personally appeared before me Isaac Woodruff Esquire, one of the Justices of said County Edward McHugo who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that on the twenty-fourth day of November instant and about three o'clock in the afternoon of said day he this deponent was at Elizabeth Town Point on duty and was Sergeant of the Guard of said place and whilst he was relieving the old guard, he this deponent saw the Rev. Mr. James Caldwell coming down to the point afs'd, in a wriding chair and saw him alight from the same and go towards the flag boat then lying at the Point afs'd and just as this deponent had relieved the guard and he toald a certain James Morgan who was then on Board the Flag Boat that he was relieved and had no business on Board but said Morgan did not come on shore this deponent then went on board the flag Boat and there heard Lieu't. David Woodruff arsk Mr. Caldwell to come on Board. Said Caldwell seemed indifferent whether he did come on board or not, he this deponent then arsked Mr. Caldwell if he was coming on Board Mr. Caldwell made answer why I don't know I havent been on Board a flag since the Contest. This deponent said he didnt think the Officer had any objections, with that Mr. Caldwell stepped on Board the Boat and went into the Cabbin after some conversation with the aforesaid James Morgan concerning some Trunks that was then on Board. Mr. Caldwell told said Morgan if there were any Contraband goods in said truncks they should be carried before a Magistrate and examined. Said Morgan said that that was fair enough he was contented. Some short time after he this deponent herd a gun fire upon which he came out of the Cabbin and saw Mr. Caldwell falling to the ground and made inquiry who it was that fired the gun. Lt. Woodruff made answer it was James Morgan and ordered this deponent to ty said Morgan immediately for he had killed the Priest, and further saith not —

"Edward McHugo.

"sworn before me this

"29th Day of Nov'r 1781

"Isaac Woodruff."

"State of N. Jersey

"C.

"Henry Linch

Wm. Freling

Anthony Palmer, Ms County

Edward McHugo — "

Wm. Holbrook — "

} B. River

Bound in Recognizance
in the sum of one
hundred pound procla-
mation money Each in
gold or Silver.

"the Condition of the above Recognizance is such that if the above mentioned persons shall be & app ar at the next court of Oyer terminer to be held at Newark in and for the County of Essex to give Evidence in behalf of the State concerning the murder of the Rev'd. Mr. James Caldwell and do not depart the Court without lieve then the above Recognizance is void otherwise in force and acknowledged.

"Taken before me this

"29th Day of Nov'r, 1781

"Isaac Woodruff."

(Letter of Rev. James Caldwell to the Honorable Mr. Geary, in Congress, Philadelphia, by Mr. Denman.)

"Springfield, Oct. 6, 1778.

"Dear Sir :

"The attention I have always observed you pay to public business and the little acquaintance I have had the pleasure of with you, subject you to the trouble of this.

"General Mifflin has been pleased to assign me a pretty large District in the settlement of old accounts, which I am however determined, God willing, to go through with. For this end I have engaged Col. Wallace Formerly of Philadelphia, a capable merchant & honest man, to assist me; besides which I intend in each district to have one or two Magistrates or principle Persons present to assist in determining upon doubtful accounts. In many instances the inhabitants were imposed upon and delivered their forage to private soldiers. It will in my opinion be cruel injustice to bury accounts which are only deficient in point of form.

"But my chief design of addressing you at present was on account of service done for the sick. By a Resolve of Congress, I believe, the settlement of those accounts belongs to the Director General or some of the Physical Tribe. They will not pay the people. In the various marchings of the Army and parts of it thro' this state soldiers are left sick. Sometimes too sick to be sent to the Hospital, sometimes not so sick as to require such expense as a distant transportation. It is our duty as Quarter Mas-

ters to provide Quarters for those sick men. The Inhabitants who nurse them look to us for their pay — yet we have apprehended ourselves not authorized to pay. Now, Sir, while I am settling accounts, the inhabitants will bring those also. If I cannot pay them their murmurings will be great, and great my trouble in putting them off. And what is worse they will refuse in future to take care of the sick. Will you, Sir, be so kind as to let me know what shall be the line of my conduct in this case. The Bearer will wait upon you at any time you fix for your answer.

“You have no doubt had daily accounts of the movements of the Enemy of late. They continued pretty still between the North and Hackensack River till yesterday when they crossed Hackensack and advanced to the Heights east of Passaic River driving and carrying off all they could till evening when they returned back to their old ground. I have not heard of any movement to-day. The whole of this time they appeared in force with great preparations upon Staten Island to invade by the way of Eliz. Town & Woodbridge. The spirit of our Militia here is excellent. But it is exceeding difficult to leave their farms at this time. Many of them suffer more by their absence from their farms than their fines would amount to, but they act upon more generous principles. But the Militia back in the Country cannot be persuaded to stay any time out. And therefore the Enemy may from the situation of Head Quarters, effectually ruin this fine Country before Winter — Cut off the source of many supplies to the Army and reduce to absolute poverty several thousand families most faithful in the good cause — But Jehovah reigns, and I am sure all will be well. We do not despond — We are determined to yield our Country but by Inches, and sell them dear.

“Since I came from Philadelphia I have not had time free from business to write one letter & as I have been obliged to talk to different people upon different subjects while writing this, you will therefore please to excuse inaccuracy.

“With due respect and sincere esteem,

“your most ob’d’t and

“very humb. sev’t

“James Caldwell.”

(Discharge signed by Caldwell).

“Springfield, Nov.r 16, 1778.

“Jonathan Meeker, Jun.r hath been taken from other military duty by order of Major General Dickinson and employed in making Cartridges for the army since the 22d of Sep.r to this day, except one week he was absent by leave, and is now discharged.

“James Caldwell, D. Q. M. G.”

The foregoing legal documents bring vividly to the mind the tragedy that caused great lamenting throughout New Jersey, and in other states. A careful study of this newly discovered material will enable the historian who next attempts to write the story of Caldwell to set the sad event of his taking off in a clearer light than others heretofore.

The "New" Series.

With this issue the "Proceedings" begins another series, to be known as the "New" Series, and to continue indefinitely. The Third Series ended with Volume X, (1915). The Second Series was issued in thirteen volumes and the First in ten. Hereafter the volumes will run on indefinitely under the New Series. Whatever reason there may have been in the past for breaking up the publication into numbered series, there seems no good reason for continuing the system. For ready reference it has proved confusing, or at best it has required a carefulness that better might have been used for more important matters. Had there been no system of series the present volume would be numbered thirty-four.

While the terse designation "New" will be used in a formal way, it is expected that the initiated users of the Proceedings will gradually drop any reference to the series except to designate the First, Second or Third. Especially will this be the case, we may believe, when the volumes reach fourteen and beyond, because volume thirteen was the highest reached in any of the former series, and there will be no confusion.

It is a coincidence that may be valuable at least for the purposes of memory that the New Series begins with the year in which Newark celebrates its 250th anniversary.

That every reader may live far up into the New Series is the anniversary wish of the Editor.

Caspar Steymets and his Descendants.

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STORY OF HIS LIFE

1615 - 1702.

Among the earliest arrivals of Hollanders that came to America and settled on the Island of Manhattan (now New York) was the well-known pioneer, Casparus Steynmutzen, or "Caspar Steinmets," as it came to be spelled in America. The time and place of his birth has not been definitely ascertained. From the best information we have, it was in or near the town of Zeeland, or Zutphin, near the Zuider-Zee, in the North of Holland. The date of his birth was probably sometime between 1615 and 1622. The time of his arrival in New Amsterdam was about 1630. Family tradition says that he came with his brothers who owned and sailed trading vessels and came from time to time to this country, sailing up the Hudson for cargoes of furs and things that could be procured from the Indians. Caspar from one of these voyages remained behind and cast his lot with the Aertsons and Garretsons and Corneliusons. Very few settlers were found on Manhattan at the time and they were in and about the Fort on the extreme and lower end of the Island.

Indians were more numerous at that time than the whites, and were sometimes very dangerous neighbors.

The first record we have of the presence of Caspar in this country was at the Baptism of a child of *Michael Misner* in the year 1648. He was acting as sponsor or witness on this occasion. Mention of this Baptism is made in the *Records* of the Old Dutch Church of New York. The other witnesses

were *Roeloff Cornelison* and *Gerrit Gerritson*. These friends and associates, we find to have been his business and family connections (brother-in-law) throughout his long and active public life.

He seems to have been married about this time to *Dorothea Aertson* (or *Aeston*). They had a child baptized in the Dutch Church of New York July 14, 1650, named *Caspar*. His wife died soon after. And on March 31, 1652 he, as widower, was married to *Jeannetje Gerritson*, a young maid recently arrived from *Holland* and living at *Ahasimus Bergen*, N. J., with her brother *Gerrit Gerritson* who was an intimate friend and companion of *Steinmets*. The vessel in which she sailed was named The "Faith" owned and commanded by *Capt. Verlath*. She was registered as coming from the town of *Zutphen*, *Holland*, on the *Zuider-Zee*.

Steinmets soon became a very prosperous business man, owning houses and lots in *New Amsterdam*, as is shown by one of the oldest maps on record. In 1655 he is shown as the owner of a large lot on *Winkle St.* near *Fort Amsterdam*. The *West India Company* owned at that time a large portion of the land in the lower end of the *Island*, and also many acres across the *North River* in *Bergen*. They built houses and sold them as opportunity occurred. They built a row of fine stone houses near the *Fort* on *Manhattan* about the year 1645-6, with gable ends to the street on *Whitehall Street* (or *Marketvelt*) and fronting on a lane called *Winkle Street*. One of these houses was disposed of by the Company to *Henry Jansen* a baker, and one to *Maximilian Von Geile*, and one to the highly esteemed "*Dominic Evcrardus Bogardus*", whose wife was the well known and famous widow *Annake Jans*. *Annake Jans*, after the death of her husband, willed their farm running from *Broadway* to the *North River* and facing about one mile on the river and nearly as far on *Broadway*. This she conveyed to the *Trinity Church Organization*, making it the largest and weathiest church organization in *New York* at that time, even as it has been until the present day (1907).

The fourth house in this row, according to the *Historian*

J. H. Innes, was sold to a certain *Caspar Steinmets*. The last house on the corner of Bridge Street, was sold to an English gentleman named *George Holmes*.

These houses, lots, and plots of the early settlers are very plainly shown on maps in a book recently published by J. H. Innes in New York.

These associates of Steinmets at this early date, indicate that he was a man of influence and means, as he also was in later years. He, like the other Dutch settlers, very early became interested in trading with the Indians in Bergen, New Jersey, and became also one of the foremost business men and large property owners in New Amsterdam.

In about 1652 he purchased a large "Bowerie" or farm in Bergen and erected suitable buildings thereon to shelter himself and his family. He moved his business here and continued as trader and farmer in his new home; but trouble arose between the white settlers and the Indians and the families were compelled to flee back to New Amsterdam where they remained for several years until peace was restored and it became safe for them to return to their homes and farms in Bergen. Caspar remained in Bergen until his death which occurred in 1702.

Steynmets raised a large family of children. Some were born in New Amsterdam, but the majority perhaps were born in Bergen; but all of them were baptised in New York. Their births are all recorded in the "Old Dutch Church" of New York. Their marriages were also recorded there in later years. The Church and Court Records for the surrounding towns and villages were kept in New York until the establishment of Courts and the building of Churches in these nearby towns.

Caspar Steynmets had ten children. His first wife had one child named *Caspar*, born July 14, 1650. The mother died and the child probably died also as no record of any kind regarding it is found afterwards, and the fact the second wife of Steynmets had a child named Caspar would seem to confirm the opinion. As has been already stated, his

second wife was also a Hollander, named Jeannetje Gerritson. To them were born nine children, as follows:—

1. Johaunes, born Oct. 5, 1653.
2. Altje, born Jan. 31, 1655.
3. Gerrit, born Aug. 27, 1656.
4. Annetje, born Oct. 30, 1658.
5. Christoffel, born Dec. 19, 1660.
6. Caspar, born Sept. 5, 1663.
7. Orsolena, born March 15, 1665.
8. Joanna (Joannetje), born Dec. 29, 1667.
9. Benjamin, born Jan. 16, 1670.

After the trouble with the Indians and the war and disturbance that followed, Steinmets seems to have settled down again in New Amsterdam and to have sought employment of some kind, as we find that on Feb. 22, 1656, he applied for and obtained a license to tap beer and wine for the accommodation of Burghers and strangers. How long this business continued, we are not told; but we know that on April 11, 1657, he was admitted to all the rights of a small burgher. He continued in business, however, until Jan. 1658; and he, with the other settlers from Bergen who had fled from the fierce cruelties of the Indians, petitioned the Directors General, and their "Mighty Highnesses", to be permitted to return to and occupy their lands and farms in Bergen as they had done previous to the Indian troubles. This the Lord Directors would not permit unless they settled in communities and not on scattered farms, on account of the dangers from hostile Indians. These families returned about this time and began preparing themselves for self-defence. They organized a company of Militia, and on June 21, 1657, *Caspar Steinmets* was commissioned Lieutenant of the Company, and very soon thereafter was appointed Captain. (See Colonial History of New Jersey, pages 11 and 597.)

In the course of trading with the Indians and doing business with them *Steinmets* and others had become familiar with their language and were able to converse with the Indians and interpret for others, as we find by a certain application that was made by a Sachem or Indian Chief named

Wappenghrezewan, who wished to dispose of a large tract of land stretching across the State of New Jersey reaching to and including the lower end of the Delaware River. Portions of this tract were settled upon and occupied by German and Swedish people who had made some claim to it. Therefore the Indian Chief came to the Burghers and authorities of Bergen and through them to the "Lords Proprietors" of New Amsterdam, and Governor Stuyvesant of the State of New York. The petition presented by the chief was a very lengthy one, and endorsed by the Authorities of Bergen and read somewhat as follows:—

To the Governor Peter Stuyvesant, and to the Directors General, in behalf of the "High and Mighty Lords States General", and the "Incorporated West India Company", on the date hereof, and in the presence of the said Directors, did come and appear in proper person, a certain Sachem well known to us, — Wappanghrzewan by name, who hath to us declared, (*we being well versed in the Indian language*) and at the same time besought us to interpret and make known to the said "Directors General", that he the said Chief about six days ago was sent for by Mr. John Printz who claimed to be the Swedish Governor of South West Jersey Settlement, and made a request to the Chief that he and the people of the Settlement might bargain for and purchase the land owned by the said Sachem; Wappenghrzewan however preferred to dispose of his claims to Governor Stuyvesant and the *Dutch*. An agreement was prepared and signed by the Chief with his mark made by himself at Tamecaugh, N. J., July 30, 1651. It was also signed by the Burghers and Officers present as follows : Brian Newton, George Baxter, David Letschew, *Caspar Steinmetz*, Herman Jensen, Reiner Domineus, Peter Harmenson, Hans Loderwicke, and countersigned by Cornelius Van Riper, Secretary.

This request of the Chief was complied with so far as Bergen and all its neighborhood and surroundings was concerned. Purchases of the land were made and Indian titles to the land were given; after that peace and harmony prevailed.

Some of the Indians remained on the land but the greater part moved away.

The *Steinmets* family and other Hollanders began to long for a church, where they could hold Divine Service and their children brought up and catechised and instructed as they were in their old country homes. A petition was prepared and circulated by Mr. *Steinmets* and others, to be presented to the Lords Proprietors at New Amsterdam, to have sent to the families in Bergen a Clergyman to minister to the spiritual wants and needs of this growing settlement of Bergen and surrounding neighborhoods, and to teach them by precept and example how to lead Godly lives, and to train their children, and fulfill their duties as citizens in this new community.

The "Schepens" say they have visited the inhabitants and received pledges to the amount of 417 Guilders in Wampum (money). This was signed by the Schepens of the village, viz. — *Caspar Steinmets*, Tilman Van Vleck, Harman Sweedman and Machgryse Jansen. The list of subscribers numbered 25, with the various amounts opposite their names. Among the rest, *Caspar Steinmets* subscribed twenty-five guilders, much the largest amount on the list. The Lords Proprietors received this request quite favorably and sent the petition to the government in Holland, and in accordance with their desire, a Clergyman was sent by the next ship that sailed for New Amsterdam.

The village of Bergen was growing so rapidly (1662) that the people desired a *court* with more power. When this petition was received by the Lords Proprietors in New Amsterdam, they appointed *Caspar Steinmets* to be First Schepen, and Gerrit Gerritsen and Englebert Steenhuysen to be Assistant Schepens. (Done at Fort Amsterdam October 16, 1662.)

Later in the season complaint was made that the Schout (Sheriff) Van Vleck, and Schepens *Caspar Steinmets* and Herman Sweedman had fenced in some of the best pasture lands running up into the highlands. It was ordered that they appear before the Directors General, for a hearing. Pursuant to an appointment made December 28, 1662, a meeting

and hearing was held by the Lords Proprietors, when Michael Jensen and Adrian Post appeared for the inhabitants of Bergen, as Deputies, and stated that it would cause damage to the inhabitants of the village if the parties continued with their fencing. The aforesaid *Steinmets*, Van Vleeck and Sweedman maintained that no obstacle whatever could arise therefrom. It was then ordered that the land be surveyed and the Surveyors report to the Directors General, and afterwards directions would be given. This was done and full permission was given to go on with the fencing, so long as they did not trespass on the public pasture land.

On Jan. 24, 1662, a petition was presented to the Court, asking for a public well. *Caspar Steinmets* signed the petition, with others interested, and on its being presented to the Directors General and Council of New Netherland at their headquarters at New Amsterdam, it was granted on Feb. 9, 1662. The Village of Geomonepen (Commimipan) needed to be palisaded as a defence against the Indians, who were always prowling about watching for an opportunity to steal, or scalp any unprotected inhabitants of the neighborhoods. Some of the people were indifferent or unwilling to assist in this much needed safeguard. *Caspar Steinmets*, Tilman Van Vleeck and Herman Sweedman presented a petition to the Directors General, that all should be compelled to assist. This was ordered on the 10th day of March, 1661.

Caspar Steinmets was one of the pioneer officers in Bergen and being engaged in business for himself as well as for the public, he purchased and sold property. And we find by searching the records that he gave deeds, bought property in Bergen and in New Amsterdam, and in transaction of business, sometimes he was sued and sometimes he sued others. He evidently was a very busy man. We find in the Court Records that on June 10, 1652, *Caspar Steinmets* obtained judgment against Jacob Van Curler.

Caspar Steinmets versus Jans Hendrick. — *Steinmets* complained that his wife's brother was in the employ of Hendrick for nine months and was harshly treated. He asked for better treatment and that he receive decent clothing and pay-

ment as agreed upon. The Court ordered payment and the boy released.

Caspar Steinmets had considerable disagreement with a neighbor named Don Hermson. When it got beyond endurance he sued him for slander. When brought into Court Hermson not only failed to prove his innocence but replied that he had nothing but good to say concerning *Steinmets*. 1658, July 27, *Steinmets* purchased a house of Hendrick H. Kip, for which he received a deed dated as above. The property was situated on the South side of Brewers Street in New Amsterdam. This plot is shown on a map recently published by J. H. Innes in the History of the first Settlers of New Amsterdam.

Capt. Judike Verlath sailed from Amsterdam, Holland, bound for America with merchandise and passengers. Among the passengers came a young maid, Jeannetje Gerritson, whose brother Gerritson had been in America for some time and was settled in Bergen. She, in part payment for her passage, was to render certain services on board the vessel. She arrived safely and was living with friends at Ahasimus, Bergen, N. J., when in 1652 she was married to *Caspar Steinmets*, as mentioned on another page.

1666. *Caspar Steinmets* sued the Town of Bergen for rent of his building for a school in the sum of 260 Florins. He was asked to wait as there was no money in the Treasury. He asked them again, when the reply of "no money" was made again.

One of the houses that he owned was situated on Stone Street, New York. This was assessed for \$1,000. which at this day seems very small, but the selling price and the taxing price was quite different even in those days, as well as at the present time.

March 12th, 1668. *Steinmets* purchased of Gov. Philip Carteret a large tract of land and meadows in the Town of Bergen. This purchasing of property, and the various transactions of public and private business, together with the public and prominent offices which he held, such as Judge of

the Court, Captain of a Military Company, and other important offices would show the confidence and esteem in which he was held by the leading citizens of the new settlement.

1661. An ordinance was passed by the Directors General and Councillors of New Amsterdam, creating a Court of Justice in Bergen, N. J. In 1662 Peter Stuyvesant on behalf of the Mighty Lords Proprietors, did choose as Judges honest intelligent persons, owners of real estate, who were lovers of peace, promoters and professors of the Reformed religion as it is taught in the word of God and in the Order of the Synod of Dordrecht in Holland, to consist of one Schout (Sheriff) and of three Scheppens. The men appointed were *Caspar Steinmets*, sheriff; Michel Jensen and Herman Sweedman as Scheppens. This action of the Lords Proprietors established the first Municipal Government in New Jersey. (See Winfield's History of New Jersey.)

The first public act of the New Government was on Jan. 28, 1662, when an order was passed for the digging of a public well inside of the enclosure, or stockade, that had been erected to protect themselves from the Indians. This order was signed by *Steinmets*, Van Vleeck, Sweedman and Jensen, Schep-pens. This well was still in use as late as 1895, in Jersey City. Philip Carteret was appointed Governor of New Jersey. He arrived in July and in August he assumed control and authorized Capt. Nicholas Verlath to call and constitute a Court. He did so by calling the following persons and appointing them as Magistrates in the Town of Bergen, *Caspar Steinmets*, Herman Sweedman and Elias Michaels. (These records are mostly lost and not obtainable.) The officers were requested to subscribe to an oath, binding themselves to support the Government of the West India Company as maintained in New Amsterdam and Bergen, N. J. This continued from 1661 to 1666.

After the surrender of the Dutch Government to the English in 1664, *Caspar Steinmets* and other officers were continued in office by Gov. Philip Carteret, and in 1665 a Court of Adjudicature was organized for the Town of Bergen, with Capt. Verlath as President, and *Caspar Steinmets*

and others as Assistants and Judges. Thus, Officers *Steinmets*, Jensen and Sweedman stand out prominently as the first Judges for a *local court* in this section of the country which soon after became the County of Bergen.

Steinmets, like his associates, was a farmer and large land owner, and held important offices, as Judge, Sheriff, State Senator, Captain of a military company, &c., &c. (See History of Bergen County.)

When Philip Carteret arrived in this Country and in his capacity as Governor of New Jersey, with Headquarters at Elizabeth-Town, in August 1665, he proceeded to re-organize the Courts for Bergen, Geomenopen, Ahasimus and Hoboken. *Caspar Steinmets* was appointed Judge for the County of Bergen and a few years later was elected a Representative to the first and second session of the New Jersey Legislature held at Elizabethtown. Balthazar Bayard was also chosen for the County of Bergen. In Gov. Philip Carteret's time the Legislature consisted of the Governor with his council of seven members in the upper house, or Senate.

The Citizens of the Town of Bergen in 1673 were ordered by the Lords Proprietors of New Orange (as New York was then called) to take the oath of allegiance or be constrained thereto by the force of arms. They did not wait for the latter alternative, but freely surrendered to the new order of things, and sent in the names of the most prominent citizens to the new authorities of New Orange. The oath was as follows :

"We do promise and swear in the presence of Almighty God, to be loyal and faithful to their Mighty Highnesses, the Lords States General of the United Netherlands and his Serene Highness, the Prince of Orange, and the Governor already appointed or to be appointed, and to comport ourselves on all occasions as loyal and faithful subjects are bound to do." Signed by the proper officers on the 4th of September, 1673.

The Town of Bergen having sent in names for that purpose the Authorities of New Jersey selected the following military officers,—for *Captain, Caspar Steinmets*; 1st Lieu-

tenant, Hans Diederieck; Ensign, Adrian Post. These were appointed officers of a Foot Military Company of Militia to be enlisted in Bergen, Geomoneopen, Ahasimus and Hoboken, for the purpose of preserving order and enforcing the laws and ordinances of the County and to protect them from the ravages of the Indians.

It is proper here to give some account of the Settlement in earlier days of what is called the West-India-Company's farm, — especially as in later years, through the changes by death and by marriage the management of it came into the hands of *Caspar Steymets*, as did also the ownership, both for himself and his two sons, John and Garet.

About this time (1636) Cornelius Von Voorst, lived at Ahasimus, near the water and Ferry to New Amsterdam between what is now 4th and 5th Streets in Jersey City, in a frame house, thatched with reeds. This house was burned by the Indians, on the 25th of June, 1636. After the West India Company had purchased the interests of Pauw in Pavonia, Ahasimus was reserved for their own use, as a trading and shipping port, especially as trading post with the Indians. Van Voorst remained in possession of it until his death in the same year. On the 16th of March 1639 his widow took a lease of the Company's Bowerie (Farm) at Ahasimus for twenty years, agreeing to keep it in repair and to build a new frame house, and to keep in repair the buildings already erected. She afterward married Jacob Stoffelson. Within a year she died, leaving Stoffelson in possession. He held it as tenant of the Company until Feb. 1647, when he took a lease and it as tenant of the Company until May 1661. During the year 1643 he was driven out by the Indians, his buildings burned and the farm laid waste. Shortly before the expiration of the lease he appeared before the Directors of the Company and said he had been expelled by the savages, all his property burned and everything destroyed, "Two times". He now asked an extension of his lease. This was granted him for five years, at a rental of one-quarter of the produce; the house and other buildings at the expiration of the lease to go the Company. In 1665 the

buildings were burned again by the Indians and everything about the farm destroyed.

In consideration of this loss, the farm was granted to him on the first of December, 1656, without rent for one year. In the latter part of 1658 a new house was built on the place. In June he obtained a lease for one year, which he renewed in February 1662. Next door to him lived his step-son Ide Van Voorst in a house which was built shortly after the Indian War of 1656. Van Voorst had returned to his house sooner than most of his neighbors and probably without the sanction of the Government, which was doing all in its power to discourage isolated settlements. His situation put him in great peril from the savages who prowled about watching an opportunity to strike a blow against defenceless settlers.

Jacob Stoffelson, who had married Treintie, widow of Jacob Wallinger Van Hoorn, on Aug. 7th, 1657, was in possession of the "Bowerie" (farm) when the country was surrendered by the Dutch to the English in 1664. Stoffelson remained in possession as tenant of the West India Company who still owned the property by virtue of the first of the Articles of Capitulation. Stoffelson, being in possession, moved to improve the farm. This being in derogation of the rights of the Lords Proprietors, they served him with the following notice, —

"Whereas, Jacob Stoffelson is about to fence in a certain parcel of land, in and about Warsimus, displeasing to the other inhabitants there, and without any authority there, this is to require the said Stoffelson to forbear the fencing of the said land until further orders. Given under my hand and seal this 5th day of March 1665. Signed Philip Carteret, Governor of New Jersey."

This notice was not served; but was burned at the house of Samuel Edsall, and renewed July 14, 1672.

War between England and Holland was declared in 1665. The Dutch in New York were compelled to surrender and all their property was confiscated. At the time of the surrender the only families in Ahasimus were, the Van Voorsts, the Stoffelons, Ide Van Voorst, (brother-in-law of Stoffelson)

and C. J. Purmarent. Stoffelson and wife received a lease of the farm from Gov. Nicholls, of New York, from the first day of January, 1667, during all the days of their lives, to either of them, in consideration of the care they had taken of the farm and the improvements they had made thereon. Stoffelson died before the expiration of a year, leaving his wife in possession. She married Michael Tades, June 17, 1668. Tades died shortly afterwards, leaving his wife still in possession. In June, 1671, she married *Caspar Steinmets* (His former wife Jeannetje Gerritsen having died a few years previous). Steinmets and his new wife continued in occupancy of the famous farm, acting on the terms of the lease of Governor Nicholls to Stoffelson and wife, and claiming it and all the land Stoffelson had improved. Steinmets inclosed and fenced some of the adjoining lands; and in 1671, Gov. Carteret ordered him to take down the fence; with this order he complied.

When the Dutch re-established their authority in this country, Van Voorst and his brother-in-law Purmarent protested against Steinmets having any greater privileges than he had under Gov. Stuyvesant. Steinmets then asked for a confirmation of the lease of the "Bowerie" made to his wife and her former husband by the English Government, when that government was in possession. This was granted, and a lease obtained on the 12th of April, 1674. This stirred up Van Voorst and Purmarent, who charged Steinmets with appropriating more than his share of the farming land in and about Ahasimus. *Steinmets*, however, was allowed to fence in all the unappropriated land in the valley appertaining to Ahasimus; and Van Voorst and Purmarent were allowed to fence in all the tillage and valley land belonging to them in lawful property.

Steinmets was still in possession of the old West India Farm when the English again obtained authority. Shortly after Gov. Carteret had re-organized the Government he ordered the prosecution of *Steinmets* before the Court of Bergen, for the rent which he claimed was due the Lords Proprietors. Gov. Andrews, of New York, sent George Cook to Bergen on the 6th of March, 1675, to defend the suit which Gov.

Carteret of New Jersey had instituted against *Steinmetts*. What became of this suit is not known, as no record can be found of its having been taken up again.

In 1678, Gov. Andrews again leased the West India "Bowerie" (farm) at Ahasimus to *Steinmetts*, for and during his natural life, and one entire year thereafter; *Steinmetts* to yield and pay therefor the sum of Four hundred Guilders "Servant" to the Governor of New York. This lease was repudiated by the authorities of New Jersey, and on the 5th of October, 1678, *Steinmetts* was summoned to appear before the Court of Bergen at its next sitting, to show his authority to occupy the farm; and he was commanded in the meantime to pay more rent. He did not obey this summons until the 23rd of November, giving as an excuse for not appearing sooner, that he could not read the summons, and that he did not know what it was until the Constable had told him. (Being a Hollander, he was not familiar with the English language.) On the same day he was told by Gov. Andrews to continue in possession of the farm. It is not known that any further claim was exercised about the farm. About 1683, Samuel Brown, one of the East Jersey Proprietors demanded rent from *Steinmetts*. Gov. Duggan, of New York, sent Brown a threatening letter which effectually silenced him. While the Proprietors were thus seeking an acknowledgment of their claim, they were a continual source of trouble to the Governor of New York, in that they annoyed the tenants and prevented the collection of rents. To prevent further trouble about the farm at East Jersey, which belonged to his "Majesty," Donnelly gave to Judge Palmer a release of the reversion for 99 years, from the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel next ensuing after the determination of the estate of *Steinmetts*. This lease was dated August 13, 1685, and was made upon condition that Judge should pay as a fine, the sum of Sixty Pounds to the King, in case he should not see fit to forgive it, and the rent of 20 shillings per annum, and to defend the title.

Steinmetts was now getting old, and the farm was managed by his two sons John and Gerrit. On February 5th, 1686, they bought of Palmer his lease, for Fifty Pounds. Af-

ter the death of their father in 1702, they divided the farm between them, John taking the Southern half and Gerrit the Northern half.

On February 4th, *John Steinmets* conveyed all of his share in this property to his wife for life, and after her death to the children of his sister Johanna Preyor. His nephew Jacob Preyor fell heir to his interest in the farm. After the death of *John Steinmets*, his widow married Peter Van Wooglam, and they, with Jacob Preyor and his wife Leah, assigned to David Hennion *alias* Danielson, the remainder of the term under the Palmer lease for 675 pounds. Danielson entered into possession of the Southerly half of the farm about the year 1715, and remained there during the nine years following. At this time the only buildings in Harsimus were the house, barn and brew-house of Danielson; the house, barn and cow-house of Ide Van Voorst; and the house, barn and old house of *Garret Steinmets* which was built by his father *Caspar Steinmets* in 1658.

On the 10th of October, 1727, *Garret Steinmets*, who held the Northerly half of the farm under the Palmer lease, surrendered to Kennedy and accepted a lease for life at the rent of one ear of barley-corn when demanded, and a proper proportion of the quit-rents reserved to the proprietors. (His interest in this lease he assigned to Matthyis De Mott on Feb. 20, 1679.) This gave Kennedy possession of the Northerly half of the *Steinmets* (formerly West India Company) farm.

John Steinmets had died about 1708. (He was born Oct. 5, 1653.) *Garret Steinmets*, who was born Aug. 27, 1656, died in 1733. They were both sons of the immigrant *Caspar Steinmets*, and his second wife Jeannetje Gerritsen (she died in 1670.) The third wife of *Caspar Steinmets*, Treintie Jacobs, widow of Jacob Stoffelson, died in 1676. (*Caspar* was married to this wife in 1671.) After his marriage to Stoffelson's widow in 1671, *Steinmets* took possession of the West India Company's farm at Ahasmius, consisting of about 385 acres, and as had always been the case with the possessors of the farm, he soon became involved in troubles with his neighbors. Complaint was made by Chas. Jensen and Ide Van Voorst liv-

ing at Ahasimus, against *Steinmets* in regard to the pasture lands. It was decreed by the Governors General and Council and ordered that *Caspar Steinmets*, the lessee, shall be allowed provisionally, and until the Governors General and Council, by themselves or their Deputies shall have occasion to investigate the circumstances there, to fence in all the ungranted lands appertaining to Ahasimus, or so much as he shall have need to use.

The third wife of Stoffelson (who was the widow of Stoffelson) was also a native of Holland. Her maiden name was Treintie Jacobs. She married her first husband Jacob Walling, of the Town of Winkle, North Holland; and they had six children. After the death of Walling she married Jacob Stoffelson, a widower, on the 17th of August 1657. And after the death of this husband, she married *Caspar Steinmets*, on March 15, 1671, as stated on another page.

On account of old age and increasing disabilities, *Steinmets* transferred his interest in the old West India Farm to his two eldest sons John and Gerrit, who divided it into two parts and disposed of it as mentioned in a previous page. Johannes (John) Steinmets, the oldest son, married a young widow, Annetje (Jacobs) Van Winkle. He continued a resident of Bergen; and like his father he was always more or less interested in public affairs. He was elected Magistrate in Bergen, and served in the Legislature of the State. The records show that he witnessed as Clerk of the Town of Bergen an affidavit made by Claes Arentson Tours.

Gerrit Steinmets continued to live in Ahasimus until 1715, on the line of the present Henderson Street in Jersey City, N. J. On the 10th of October 1727, he leased his share and interest in the West India Company's farm to other parties and retired to a more quiet life, being then about 71 years of age. He lived in Bergen until his death in 1733. He was buried in the church-yard of the old Dutch Church at Bergen, in which church the records show the fact of his marriage, the date of his death and his burial.

In further considering the life of Caspar (Casparus) Steinmets (Steymets,) a number of items will be recorded

which have been culled from Court Records and other sources, referring mostly to the active business life of this very busy man in the early days and history of our Country and confirming what has already been written concerning his active characteristics and ability. The public records of the Courts show the following facts.

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Tombstone Inscriptions

OLD GRAVEYARD AT HOHOKUS, BERGEN CO. N. J.

Located about 300 feet south of the Erie R. R. Station.

Copied May 30—1910, by John Neafie, N. Y. City.

1. Garret Hopper, d. Feb. 17—1792, aged 69 years.
 2. Elsey, consort of Garret Hopper, d. Meh. 8—1816, aged 89 yrs. 11 mos.
 3. Mary, consort of Henry Zabriskie, d. June 3—1821—aged 69 yrs. 8 mos.
 4. A large brown stone next to the above, with the lettering all sealed off, with a foot stone marked—C. I. Z.
 5. Mrs. Francis W. Perry, widow of James H. Perry Esq. and daughter of Mr. H. & Mrs. Sally Zabriskie,
b. June 25—1814
d. Nov. 27—1834—ae 20 years.
 6. Henry Zabriskie Junr. d. Feb. 23—1839—aged 22—7—5 ds.
 7. Henry H. Zabriskie, d. Feb. 27—1832—aged 46—7—2 ds.
 8. Sally, relict of H. H. Zabriskie, d. May 11—1829—aged 41 years.
 9. Garret H. Zabriskie, d. Aug. 6—1867—aged 79—2—3 ds.
 10. Caty Van Voorhase, wife of Garret H. Zabriskie, d. Nov. 6—1833 aged 41—1—12 ds.
 11. Garret Zabriskie, son of Henry and Lavinia Banta, d. Oct. 16—1832—aged 4—7—23 ds.
 12. Ann, widow of Jacob Bamber, d. Feb. 26—1844—aged 90 yrs. 2 mos.
- A number of rough stones without marks.

The New Jersey Shippens.

BY GEORGE SCHUYLER BANGERT.

Much has been written about the old colonial family of Shippen, but the New Jersey branch of the family has been much neglected. In order to correct this deficiency the writer has prepared a book on the whole family including the New Jersey branch and the later generations of the other branches which have never been written up.

A brief synopsis of the New Jersey branch is therefore presented.

1. John Shippen

born—Yorkshire, England 1565.

died ? ? ? ?

married—Dorothy Bubwith, daughter of Richard Bubwith and Elizabeth Wakefield, being granddaughter of Walter Bubwith and Ellen Watkins, and being great granddaughter of Thomas Bubwith of Bubwith Hall, Old Pomfre, Yorkshire, England.

2. William Shippen

born—Village of Monk Fryston, Yorkshire, England, 1600.

died—Stockport, England 1681.

married—Mary Nunnes, July 16, 1626, daughter of John Nunnes and Effiam Crossfield, and had issue i. e. :

a. Robert.

b. Mary.

c. Ann.

d. Dorothea.

e. William.

f. Edward.

3. Edward Shippen (the emigrant)

(Deputy Governor of Pennsylvania and 1st. Mayor of Phil.)

born—Yorkshire, England, March 5, 1639.

died—Philadelphia, Oct. 2, 1712.

married—(1) Elizabeth Lybrand, 1671.

(2) Rebecca Howard Richardson, Sept. 4,
1689.

(3) Esther Wilcox James, 1706.

Issue 1st. marriage i. e. :

a. Joseph.

b. Ann.

c. Edward.

d. Frances.

e. Edward.

f. William.

g. Elizabeth.

h. Mary.

Issue of 2nd. marriage i. e. :

a. Elizabeth.

Issue of 3rd. marriage i. e. :

a. John.

b. William.

4. Joseph Shippen.

born—Boston, Feb. 28, 1678.

died—Germantown, Pa., July 28, 1741.

married—(1) Abigail Gross, Aug. 5, 1702.

(2) Rose Budd McWilliams Plumley, May 4,
1721.

Abigail Gross was the daughter of Thomas Gross and Elizabeth More, and granddaughter of Clement and Mary Gross, and great granddaughter of Isaac Gross.

Issue of Abigail Gross, i. e. :

a. William.

b. Edward.

c. Elizabeth.

- d. William.
- e. Ann.
- f. Elizabeth.
- g. Joseph.

5. Dr. William Shippen, Sr.

(Member of Continental Congress)

born—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 1, 1712.

died—Germantown, Pa., Nov. 4, 1801.

married—Susanna Harrison, Sept. 19, 1735, and had

issue i. e. :

- a. Joseph William.
- b. Susanna.
- c. William Jr. (Medical Director of Military Hospitals during the Rev.)
- d. John.

6. Joseph William Shippen.

(The New Jersey branch).

born—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17, 1737.

died—Oxford Furnace, N. J., Sept. 13, 1795.

married—Martha Axford and had issue i. e. :

- a. John Blair.
- b. Abigail.
- c. Susan.
- d. Maria.
- e. Ann.
- f. William I.
- g. Joseph (Confused with his father—he died unmarried in Oxford Furnace, N. J.)

7. John Blair Shippen.

born—Oxford Furnace, N. J., 1771.

died—Hamburg, N. J., 1818.

married—Mary Polly DeCamp, 1808, daughter of Aaron DeCamp and Ketura Clarke, granddaughter of Aaron DeCamp, great granddaughter of John DeCamp and Mary Prael, 2nd great granddaughter of Lawrence DeCamp and Elsie DeMandeville.

They had issue i. e. :

- a. Benjamine DeCamp.
- b. Lucretia.
- c. Samuel Carpenter.

8. Benjamine DeCamp Shippen.

born—Caldwell, N. J. (Horseneck) July 20, 1815.

died—Jersey City, N. J., Jan. 2, 1897.

married—Sarah Mead, June 1835, daughter of Adrian Mead and Elizabeth Bush and granddaughter of John and Maria Bush. They had issue i. e. :

- a. Samuel Carpenter.
- b. Ann Eliza.
- c. Mary Elizabeth.
- d. Lucretia.
- e. Emma Clayton.
- f. Eveline Constance Taylor.
- g. Eliza Ann.

9. Samuel Carpenter Shippen.

married—(1) Nancy Carter, daughter of Wm. Carter and Sarah Elizabeth Long and had issue.

Married March 9, 1857.

Elizabeth Long and had issue. Married March 9, 1857.

(2) Mary E. Harrison Frost, Aug. 17, 1887.

Issue with Nancy Carter i. e. :

- a. Ida Augusta.
- b. Sarah Elizabeth.
- c. Carlton Arquet.
- d. Samuel Clifford.

10. Ida Augusta Shippen.

born—Newark, N. J., March 15, 1861.

Living in East Orange, N. J.

married—Louis Bangert, Oct. 20, 1880.

They had issue i. e. :

- a. Leslie Louis.
- b. Raymond.

- c. Helen Elizabeth.
- d. George Schuyler.

ANCESTORS OF DR. WILLIAM SHIPPEN, SR.

I. John Shippen.

born—Yorkshire, England, 1565.

died—

married—Dorothy Bubwith.

issue.

II. William Shippen (Gentleman).

born—Village Monk Fryston, Yorkshire, England, 1600.

died—Stockport, England, 1681.

married—Mary Nunnes, July 16, 1626.

issue

a. William Shippen, Rev.

born—Methley, England, 1637.

died—Methley, England, 1693.

married—??

b. Ann Shippen.

born—Methley, England, Nov. 21, 1630.

died—Young.

married—Rev. Leybourne.

c. Dorathe.

born—Methley, England, Feb. 1631, 9th day.

died—Young.

d. Robert Shippen.

born—Methley, England, May 20, 1627.

died—Methley, England. Young.

e. Mary Shippen.

born—Methley, England, June 24, 1629.

died—

married—William Chapman, 1663.

- f. Edward Shippen (emigrant 1st. Mayor of Philadelphia and Deputy Governor of the Province of Pennsylvania.)

(See next generation.)

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III. Edward Shippen.

born—Methley, Yorkshire, England, March 5, 1639.

died—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 2, 1712.

married—(1) Elizabeth Lybrand, 1671.

(2) Rebecca Howard Richardson, Sept. 4, 1689.

(3) Esther Wilcox James, 1706.

issue 1st. marriage, i. e. :

a. Edward Shippen.

born—Boston, Mass., Feb. 10, 1677.

died—Phila., Pa., Dec. 29, 1714.

married—Anna Francina Vanderspeyden.

b. Mary Shippen.

born—May 6, 1681.

died—Aug. 30, 1688.

c. Elizabeth Shippen.

born—Boston, Mass., Aug. 21, 1676.

died—Boston, Mass., Aug. 15, 1678.

d. William Shippen.

born—Boston, Mass., Oct. 4, 1675.

died—Boston, Mass., 1676.

e. Edward Shippen.

born—Boston, Mass., Oct. 2, 1674.

died—Boston, Mass., Nov. 2, 1674.

f. Frances Shippen.

born—Boston, Mass., Feb. 12, 1672.

died—Boston, Mass., April 9, 1673.

g. Ann Shippen.

born—Boston, Mass., June 11, 1684.

died—Phil., Pa., Dec. 6, 1712.

married—Thomas Story, July 10, 1706.

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- h. Joseph Shippen.
(See next generation.)

IV. Joseph Shippen.

born—Boston, Mass., Feb. 28, 1678.

died—Germantown, Pa., July 28, 1741.

married—(1) Abigail Gross, July 28, 1702.

(2) Rose Budd McWilliams Plumley, May 4,
1721.

issue with Abigail Gross, i. e. :

a. Joseph Shippen.

born—Phil., Pa., Nov. 28, 1706.

died—Germantown, Pa., July 10, 1793.

married—Mary Kearney.

b. Elizabeth Shippen.

born—Phil., Pa., Sept. 28, 1714.

died—Phil., Pa., Dec. 3, 1714.

c. Ann Shippen.

born—Phil., Pa., Aug. 5, 1710.

died—Phil., Pa., June 23, 1790.

married—Charles Willing, Jan. 21, 1731.

d. William Shippen.

born—Phil., Pa., Aug. 31, 1708.

died—Phil., Pa., Dec. 29, 1716.

e. Elizabeth Shippen.

born—Phil., Pa., April 17, 1705.

died—Phil., Pa., June 8, 1714.

f. Edward Shippen.

born—Boston, Mass., July 9, 1703.

died—Lancaster, Pa., Sept. 25, 1781.

married—(1) Sarah Plumley, Sept. 20, 1725.

(2) Mary Gray Newland, Aug. 1747.

g. William Shippen.

(See next generation.)

DESCENDANTS OF DR. WILLIAM SHIPPEN, Sr.

The New Jersey Shippens.

I. Dr. William Shippen, Sr. (Member of Continental Congress.)

born—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 1, 1712.

died—Germantown, Pa., Nov. 4, 1801.

married—Susanna Harrison, Sept. 19, 1735.

issue :

a. Dr. William Shippen, Jr. (Medical Director of Military Hospitals.)

born—Phil., Pa., Oct. 21, 1736.

died—Germantown, Pa., July 11, 1808.

married—Alice Lee, 1760.

b. Dr. John Shippen.

born—Phil., Pa., Jan. 23, 1740.

died—Baltimore, Md., Nov. 26, 1770.

married—Not.

c. Susanna Shippen.

born—Phil., Pa., Oct. 23, 1743.

died—Germantown, Pa., Oct. 12, 1821.

married—Rev. Samuel Blair, Sept. 24, 1769.

d. Joseph William Shippen (Paymaster in Military Hospitals).

(See next generation.)

II. Joseph William Shippen.

born—Phil., Pa., Oct. 17, 1737.

died—Oxford Furnace, N. J., Sept. 13, 1795.

married—Martha Axford.

issue, i. e. :

a. William I. Shippen,

born—Oxford Furnace, N. J.

died—

married—Margaret—?

b. Ann Shippen.

born—Oxford Furnace, N. J.

died—

married—John McMurtrie, Sept. 15, 1803.

c. Maria Shippen.

born—Oxford Furnace, N. J.

died—

married—Samuel Blair, Oct. 5, 1803.

d. Joseph Shippen, (confused with his father. He died unmarried and not his father.)

born—Oxford Furnace, N. J.

died—Oxford Furnace, N. J., 1811.

married—Not.

e. Susan Shippen.

born—Oxford Furnace, N. J., 1784.

died—Blairstown, N. J. April 16, 1856.

married—Isaac Chrisman, Jan. 1, 1806.

f. Abigail Shippen.

born—Oxford Furnace, N. J., 1786.

died—Bartleyville, N. J., Oct. 10, 1868.

married—James McTeir, July 4, 1807.

g. John Blair Shippen.

(See next generation.)

III. John Blair Shippen.

born—Oxford Furnace, N. J., 1771.

died—Hamburg, N. J. 1818.

married—Mary (Polly) DeCamp, 1808.

issue, i. e. :

a. Samuel Carpenter Shippen (Dropped the name Shippen and known as Carpenter due to a dispute with his brother.)

born—Caldwell (Horseneck) N. J., 1808-9.

died—New York City, N. Y., Nov. 1881.

married—Emily Ayres.

b. Lucretia Shippen.

born—Caldwell (Horseneck) N. J., Feb. 17, 1810.

died—Newark, N. J., April 3, 1899.

married—Josiah Courter, Aug. 29, 1829.

c. Benjamine DeCamp Shippen.

(See next generation.)

IV. Benjamine DeCamp Shippen.

born—Caldwell (Horseneck) N. J., July 20, 1815.

died—Jersey City, N. J., Jan. 2, 1897.

married—Sarah Mead, June, 1835.

issue, i. e. :

a. Eliza Ann Shippen.

born—Newark, N. J., April 9, 1855.

died—Newark, N. J., Oct. 24, 1895.

married—(1) Smith Nafie, Nov. 16, 1872.

(2) Edward Gibson.

b. Eveline Constance Taylor Shippen.

born—Caldwell, N. J., July 20, 1845.

died—Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 23, 1916.

married—(1) Charles Pierson, Feb. 5, 1861.

(2) David Sheldon, June 28, 1872.

c. Emma Clayton Shippen.

born—Newark, N. J., Sept. 4, 1850.

died—

married—William Henry Brown, Sept. 20, 1865.

d. Lucretia Shippen.

born—Caldwell, N. J., Feb. 14, 1841.

died—Newark, N. J., May 26, 1893.

married—Alvin H. Pool, Oct. 2, 1859.

e. Mary Elizabeth Shippen.

born—Caldwell, N. J., 1848.

died—Caldwell, N. J., 1853.

f. Ann Eliza Shippen.

born—Caldwell, N. J., 1839.

died—Caldwell, N. J., 1846.

g. Samuel Carpenter Shippen.

(See next generation.)

V. Samuel Carpenter Shippen.

born—Caldwell, N. J., (Horseneck) Oct. 17, 1836.

died—Kearney, N. J., April 27, 1908.

married—(1) Nancy Carter, March 9, 1857, and had
issue.

(2) Mary E. Harrison Frost, Aug. 17, 1887,
and no issue.

issue with Nancy Carter, i. e. :

a. Samuel Clifford Shippen.

born—Newark, N. J., July 3, 1878.

died—

married—Bertha Woodruff Griffith, July 17, 1902.

(They had a child Ida May Shippen, born Bloomfield, N.
J., April 7, 1903, and died Bloomfield, N. J., Feb. 4, 1904.)

b. Carlton Arquet Shippen.

born—Newark, N. J., April 21, 1863.

died—(Disappeared) (Reported died in Baltimore, Md.)

married—Not.

c. Sarah Elizabeth Shippen.

born—Newark, N. J., Aug. 27, 1859.

died—

married—George William Angell, March 31, 1883.

d. Ida Augusta Shippen.

born—Newark, N. J., March 15, 1861.

died—

married—Louis Bangert, Oct. 20, 1880.

issue, i. e. :

a. Leslie Louis Bangert—b. Newark, N. J., June 29,
1882, d. there Oct. 11, 1882.

- b. Raymond Bangert—b. Newark, N. J., Sept. 13, 1883,
d. there Oct. 27, 1883.
- c. Helen Elizabeth Bangert, b. Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan.
13, 1897.
- d. Dr. George Schuyler Bangert, b. Newark, N. J., Jan.
27, 1885.

NOTE.—In addition to the above the following descendents of the first Samuel Carpenter Shippen who dropped the name of Shippen and was known as Samuel Carpenter; i. e. issue :

a. Mary Elizabeth Carpenter.
born—New York, N. Y., 1836.
died—New York, N. Y., 1907.
married—Theodore Haubner.

b. Emily Theresa Carpenter.
born—New York City, April 29, 1850.
died—Jersey City, N. J., Sept. 1, 1904.
married—Stephen Patrick Stanford, Feb. 14, 1869.

c. Charles Carpenter.
born—New York City.
died—New York City.
married—Jennie — ? (no issue.)

d. Susan Ann Carpenter.
born—New York City, 1854.
died—
married—(1) Lawrence Morrissey, Sept. 24, 1871.
(2) Eugene Smith, Feb. 5, 1885.
(3) Captain Haubenestle.

e. Ithamar Carpenter.
born—New York City.
died—New York City.
married—(1) Mary — ? No issue.
(2) Lucy — ? Had issue i. e. : Harry Ithamar
Carpenter.

SKETCHES OF NEW JERSEY SHIPPENS.

1. JOSEPH WILLIAM SHIPPEN.

All accounts agree that he settled on his father's estate at Oxford Furnace, N. J., and that he was manager of the estate for 30 years. An error is made, however, in stating that he died unmarried. This error was due to the fact that he had a son, Joseph Shippen, who died unmarried in Oxford Furnace, N. J. (See Will of Dr. William Shippen Sr. in which the names of his grandchildren, i. e. children of Joseph William Shippen, are all named including this Joseph Shippen son of Joseph William Shippen) also (See Secretary of State Record, Trenton, N. J. Letters of Administration for Joseph Shippen, Oct. 14, 1814, and Inventory filed Feb. 13, 1813, and an account and order of distribution entered during the May term, 1814, also see Record, Surrogate's Office, Newton, N. J. Sussex County). The administration of the estate of Joseph Shippen by his brother William I. Shippen, in which his property is divided between his brothers and sisters and their names are given as below. The statement is made in these letters that Joseph Shippen died unmarried in Oxford Furnace, N. J. In addition to these we have in Trenton, N. J., Letters of Guardianship of Abby Shippen, daughter of Joseph William Shippen, Book 40, page 514, Wd. 1803 and 992 S. in Index to Wills, Secretary of State's Office, Jan. 16, 1804, also a series of Deeds recorded in Sussex County, Newton, N. J., in which repeated mention is made of the children of Joseph William Shippen, who was the son of Dr. William Shippen Sr., i. e. — Book K. 234, 1804, Newton, N. J., mentions William Shippen as the eldest son of Joseph William Shippen, also Book O, page 452, mentions the sons of Joseph William Shippen i. e. William, John, and Joseph Shippen, also Book R, 489 — Book T, 366 — Book O, 452 — Book K, 234 — R, 489 — P, 596 — X, 130 — X, 326 — R (2) 106 — T, 205. — This last Deed mentions all of the children of Joseph William Shippen, i. e. — four daughters, to wit—Maria, Ann, Susan, Abby, and three sons, to wit — William, John, and Joseph Shippen.

Joseph William Shippen married his housekeeper, Martha Axford. He died in Oxford Furnace, N. J., Sunday, Sept. 13, 1795, aged 58 years. After his death his children separated and married.

Joseph William Shippen occupied the old Shippen Manor at Oxford Furnace, N. J., (picture in possession of the writer) for many years with his family until his death in 1795. Every fall, friends would visit him from New York and Philadelphia, and a grand hunt with the hounds would take place. All during the winter the old stone house would echo with the sounds of revelry as the guests warmed under the stimulating effect of the well filled wine cellars.

The wife of Joseph William Shippen was as thoroughly aristocratic as the times would warrant. While taking her morning walk she would be accompanied by a colored boy named James Burr, who carried her train on his shoulder.

Joseph William Shippen was a paymaster in the Bethlehem Army Hospital during the Revolutionary War. At this same Hospital his brother, Dr. William Shippen, Jr., served as member of staff and Medical Director of the U. S. Army, 1779.

He was Justice of the Peace in Sussex Co., N. J., 1775. He was also a merchant, being a dealer in limes, indigo, etc.

Joseph William Shippen died intestate, and his brother William Shippen acted as administrator of the estate (Index of Wills, Trenton, N. J., 36-134).

Joseph William Shippen had issue with his wife Martha Axford.

2. JOHN BLAIR SHIPPEN.

Son of Joseph William Shippen and Martha Axford, was born on the old ancestral estate in the Shippen Manor, Oxford Furnace, N. J., 1771. (He is mentioned as the son of Joseph William Shippen, and the grandson of Dr. William Shippen, in Deeds recorded at Newton, N. J., i. e. — Book T, 363 — T, 366 — etc., also in the Will of Dr. William Shippen, filed at Philadelphia, Book Y, page 614, dated Sept. 1, 1783, in the last Codicil.)

He later as a young man settled in Caldwell, N. J. (Horseneck) and built the old Shippen Homestead on the corner of Brookside and Westville Avenues. Here he met and married Mary (Poly) DeCamp, of Roseland, N. J. (Centerville) 1809, daughter of Aaron DeCamp and Ketura Clark.

John B. Shippen was a farmer in Caldwell, N. J., and when a young man taught school on Long Island. He was well educated for his time and spoke French as well as English. He was dark and slender and was thought by many to be of foreign birth. He later learned the trade of tan currier, becoming an authority on leather. He patented a shoemaker's awl which is still used to this day. He frequently spoke of his wealthy and distinguished family connections in Philadelphia, referred to the fact that they had been Quakers, and complained that he had been cheated out of property which should by right have descended to him. His death at the age of 47 years occurred while on a business trip, in Hamburg, Sussex County, New Jersey, in 1818. The cause was heart failure. His body was never brought home for burial. The following incident is told by his grandchild, Mrs. Elizabeth Foster. After his death a lady from the South and her daughter, no doubt relatives of his father's brother, Dr. William Shippen, Jr., of Virginia, and his wife, Alice Lee, visited his widow in Caldwell, N. J. The facts that most impressed the children, and which they now remember, are that the lady was very distinguished in manner and appearance, and that the daughter could not button her own shoes or brush her own hair.

He was probably a Presbyterian as he attended the First Presbyterian Church of Caldwell, N. J., and it is believed that he was married by Rev. Stephen Grover of that church. After his early and sudden death the children were brought up by their grandfather Aaron DeCamp, in Roseland, N. J., until his death in 1827, and then Mary Shippen supported herself by nursing. One of her cases was her attendance on the mother of Grover Cleveland on the occasion of his birth. For a number of years Grover Cleveland sent annually a letter to

her daughter, Lucretia Shippen, commenting on the fact on his birthday.

John Blair Shippen and his wife, Mary Polly DeCamp, had issue.

3. BENJAMIN DeCAMP SHIPPEN,

Son of John Blair Shippen and Mary Polly DeCamp Shippen was born in the old Shippen Homestead, corner of Westville and Brookside Avenues, Caldwell, N. J. (Horse-neck) July 20, 1815. He was at the age of thirty years about 5 feet 9 inches in height, broad shouldered, stout and muscular. He possessed a happy temperament and a fine character. He wore long whiskers, and had a military carriage. He had a good education and was very religious. He followed closely the rules of the Methodist Church and frequently attended the revival services. He was a good eater. He was among the first to serve on the Newark, N. J., Police Force, being a night watchman and official lamp lighter, using the uniform of that day consisting chiefly of a large cape. He was also a farmer in Caldwell, N. J., and for some years a dock and bridge builder; and for many years a shoemaker, once having a shoe factory in partnership with Merritt in Caldwell, N. J. His work was of an excellent character. He was also a teamster. He was by nature of retiring tastes and led a simple life. He had one of the marked characteristics of the Shippen family, i. e., a willingness to do any thing to help others, but a will which could not be overcome by opposition. He spent much of his later years reading his Bible, and belonged to the "Sons of Temperance". He was so honest that he believed everybody else equally so and although he amassed considerable wealth through his efficient methods he lost all because of his belief in universal honesty.

He married Sarah Mead of Dutchlance, Franklin, N. J., daughter of Adrian Mead and Elizabeth Bush, on June, 1835. Rev. Wm. Cleveland of the First Presbyterian Church, Caldwell, N. J., performed the services.

He died at Jersey City, N. J., Jan. 2, 1897, aged 82 years,

after a week's illness of valvular disease of the heart. He was buried in Arlington Cemetery, Arlington, N. J.

He lived to see the Eighth Ave., Newark, N. J., Methodist Episcopal Church well established, he having been one of its charter members.

Benjamin DeCamp Shippen and his wife Sarah Mead, had issue.

4. SAMUEL CARPENTER SHIPPEN,

Son of Benjamin DeCamp Shippen and Sarah Mead, was born in Caldwell, N. J. (Horseneck), Oct. 17, 1836, on Central Avenue, in the Shippen home later known as the Courter Homestead.

He was about 5 feet 4 inches in height, gray eyes, brown hair, of a very obliging temperament, well built, but not as broad shouldered as his father, a most pleasing gentleman, but like other members of his family could and would not be forced against his will, which was most obstinate. As a boy in Caldwell, N. J., he played with Grover Cleveland. He was a steam engineer having been Engineer for the Newark, N. J. Fire Department for many years. He was also a Volunteer Fireman and a member of the Exempt Firemen's Association and was commissioned by the Newark N. J. Fire Department to inspect the Fire Department of New Orleans, La. He received a jeweled badge for 25 years service in the N. F. D. He was for a number of years Engineer of Engine No. 5 (Hiawatha). He enlisted for the Civil War at the age of 26 years. His war record reads "Samuel Carpenter Shippen, Private 13th N. J. Volunteers, Co. F. enlisted Aug. 11, 1862. Mustered in Aug. 25, 1862, for 3 years. Discharged at Ward U. S. Army Hospital, Newark, N. J., March 13, 1863, due to wounds received in action at Antietam, Md."

He attended school in the State Street School, Newark, N. J., and was a member of the Eighth Ave. M. E. Church, Newark, N. J. He was an Odd Fellow. On March 9, 1857, he was married by the Rev. Joseph Wilson, in the parsonage of the Reformed Dutch Church of Fairfield, N. J., to Nancy Carter of Franklin, N. J. They both joined the Central Metho-

dist Church, Newark, N. J., Sept. 24, 1876. Nancy Carter Shippen, died Sunday, Feb. 5, 1882, and he married a second time, i. e. — Wednesday, Aug. 17, 1887, Mrs. Mary E. (Harrison) Frost, by Rev. Daniel Halleron. She died 1911, and he died at the age of 72 years at 5 o'clock A. M., April 27, 1908, of myocarditis and Brights complicated with cerebral apoplexy at the Soldiers' Home, Kearney, N. J. He was buried in the Soldiers' Circle, Arlington Cemetery, Arlington, N. J.

Samuel Carpenter Shippen and his wife Nancy Carter had issue. He had no issue from his second marriage.

5. IDA AUGUSTA SHIPPEN,

Daughter of Samuel Carpenter Shippen and Nancy Carter was born at the corner of Green Street and N. J. Railroad Avenue, Newark, N. J., March 15, 1861. She was brought up in Newark, and was educated at the Lawrence Street and the Newark High Schools. She was married at the age of 19 years on Oct. 20, 1880, at her parents' home, 92 Ferry St., Newark, N. J., by the Rev. R. B. Collins, of the Union St. Baptist Church of Newark, N. J., to Louis Bangert, Ph. G.

6. GEORGE SCHUYLER BANGERT, Ph. G., M. D.,

Author of these sketches, son of Louis Bangert, Ph. G. and Ida Augusta Shippen, was born at Newark, N. J., in the Budd Homestead, 88 Congress Street, near Ferry Street, and opposite Christ Episcopal Church on Jan. 27, 1885. He is a practising physician and a member of the staffs of a number of Essex County hospitals. He has a sister, Helen Elizabeth, born at Brooklyn, New York, on January 13, 1897.

East Orange, N. J.

Feb. 22, 1916.

Book Notice.

Gouldtown, a very remarkable settlement of ancient date. Studies of some sturdy examples of the simple life, together with sketches of early colonial history of Cumberland County and southern New Jersey and some early genealogical records, by William Steward, A. M., and Rev. Theophilus G. Steward, D. D. Press of J. B. Lippincott Co., Phil., 1913. 8vo., cloth, 237 p.

Under this title is published the annals of Gouldtown, Cumberland county, New Jersey, a copy of which has recently been received at the Historical Society. The authors are William Steward, A. M., and Rev. Theophilus G. Steward, D. D., Chaplain U. S. Army, Retired. Both are descendants of the Goulds of Gouldtown. The remarkable fact about Gouldtown's history is, that many of the inhabitants are believed to be the descendants of John Fenwick, one of the New Jersey Proprietors, through Elizabeth Adams, his granddaughter, and one Gould, whose first name is not known. In John Fenwick's will is found a provision to give her five hundred acres of land if she would leave Gould, who was colored. The Goulds were mulattoes, and they intermarried with Finns and other whites and as the time passed they progressed socially and intellectually, many of the descendants attaining to high positions in business, the ministry, law and educational circles. The history is very copiously illustrated with portraits of many Goulds and other persons of related families. They make human documents of great interest. Other illustrations are reproductions of dwelling houses and street scenes in Gouldtown. The chief families from a numerical viewpoint related to the Goulds seem to be those of Pierce, Cuff, Murray, Sheppard and Steward. The simple life lived by these people produced longevity. Families of six to ten children, we are told, lived to reach mature years and in many cases all reached old age. Altogether this history of a quaint Jersey town is indeed remarkable, bearing out the claim made for it by its authors. One of the descendants of the family is Benjamin F. Lee, President of Wilberforce University, Ohio.

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The Old Barracks at Trenton.

Address of Edwin Robert Walker, at a Meeting of the
Woman's Branch of the New Jersey Historical
Society, February 24th, 1916.

For a time preceding the year 1757, the war cry of the allies of France was heard upon the then frontier of our country; in parts then remote but now accessible in a few hours by our modern methods of transportation.

Born of their fears, the desire of the colonists of New Jersey that suitable protection be afforded against the expected incursions of the savage Indians found expression in petitions to the Legislature for the erection of Barracks, in which to house the troops of Great Britain, and of the colony, mobilized for defensive purposes, and at the same time to ease the burden of supporting soldiers quartered in the houses of the inhabitants.

In compliance with the prayers of the petitions, the Legislature made an appropriation for the erection of these Barracks at Trenton, among others, and they stand to-day the only one of five defensive fortresses built in New Jersey in 1757—1758.

Prior to the war of the Revolution, this building was occupied not only by the colonial militia, but also by English

and Scotch troops, the peculiar dress of the Highlanders, we are told, creating much interest among the people of this town.

Throughout the period of colonial development the English, Dutch, Irish, Scotch and other settlers became evolved into a homogeneous family, and, raising a high standard of liberal government for themselves, they naturally chafed under the yoke with which England oppressed them, and it came to pass that the two forces of monarchical and republican government could not peaceably occupy this land together; and the irrepressible conflict for absolute independence inevitably followed. With what success history is replete, and to that success we owe the liberty which we enjoy to-day.

In a humble way, it may be said that these Barracks at Trenton bear something of the same relation to this city as does the Tower of London to the historic city of that name. So great was the fear of invasion and massacre by the French and Indians that the building was erected in the space of ten months, being completed in March, 1758.

To build the Tower of London levies were made upon the various counties of England by William of Normandy. In order to erect the Barracks at Trenton and its kindred structures within the short space of time to which I have alluded, draft must have been made upon the various communities of the colony of New Jersey for artisans and builders.

We cannot boast that this stronghold has never fallen into the hands of a foreign foe, as England proudly boasts of her Tower of London; but we may with pride allude to the fact that within these walls no such frightful scenes of blood and carnage have been enacted as in that gloomy fortress on the banks of the River Thames.

Lord Macaulay in his history of England waxes pathetically eloquent in his description of the little cemetery within the walls of the Tower, and says :

"In truth there is no sadder spot on the earth than that little cemetery. Death is there associated, not, as in Westminster Abbey and St. Paul's, with genius and with virtue, with public veneration and imperishable renown; not, as in

the humblest churches and churchyards, with everything that is most endearing in social and domestic charities; but with whatever is darkest in human nature and in human destiny, with the savage triumph of implacable enemies, with the inconstancy, the ingratitude, the cowardice of friends, with all the miseries of fallen greatness and of blighted fame."

With us, quite differently, these bloodless Barracks are associated with hallowed memories of the Revolution; the war which resulted in the independence of the United States.

The grim walls of this stronghold on the morning of December 26, 1776, witnessed the assault upon the mercenary Hessian soldiers in the service of England, which resulted in such a signal victory for the cause of Liberty, without the loss of a single patriot soldier, while the loss in dead and wounded on the side of the enemy was about one hundred.

They saw the columns of Washington and Sullivan march upon the town in the gray dawn of that memorable day; they saw the great commander in front on the Pennington road come up to a man who was chopping wood and heard him inquire which way was the Hessian picket; they heard the man's surly reply: "I don't know;" they heard Capt. Forrest, of the Artillery say to the man: "You may tell for that is General Washington;" they saw the aspect of the man change in an instant; they saw him raise his hands to heaven and say: "God bless and prosper you! — The picket is in that house and the sentry stands near that tree."

They saw the impetuous assault and heard the cannons reverberate through the streets and lanes; they saw the surrender, and later they housed and protected the army of their country in the place of the foreign foe which it had dislodged.

The people of Trenton on that morning witnessed the battle which has been truly said to have been the turning point of the Revolutionary struggle.

Napoleon, after the battle of Austerlitz, addressed his soldiers and said that no matter where they went or what they did thereafter, they had only to say that they fought at Austerlitz for the people to exclaim that they were brave men.

I would rank participation in the affair at Trenton as of more enduring fame than to have fought with Napoleon in any of his battles.

Our cause was so just, our resources so few, the odds against us so tremendous, and the chances of success so slender, with nearly, if not quite, half the people at home disaffected and many of them united with our foreign foes against us, that he who took up arms against that sea of trouble was brave beyond the power of words to tell.

The whole story of the Revolutionary War was succinctly told a few years ago in the speech of a superlative orator, now no more, who said : "We follow the patriot's bleeding feet from Lexington to Valley Forge and from that midnight of despair to Yorktown's cloudless day."

In vain would have been all the sacrifice, all the hardship, all the struggle, all the war that devastated this fair land and saturated its sod with the blood of heroes and of martyrs, had not our statesmen, the leaders of thought, the molders of government, written into constitutions and statutes with their pens, what our soldiers upon the land and our sailors upon the sea had wrested from despotism by their valor and the prowess of their arms.

As long as the constitution of the United States shall endure, that long will liberty, civil and religious, the birthright and heritage of a free people, be vouchsafed to us and our descendants.

Speaking of constitutions it may be that you all do not know that New Jersey was a free and independent state two days before the birth of the United States, which resulted from the adoption of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress in Philadelphia ; and to those of you who are unacquainted with the fact, let me say that it is the pride of New Jersey that on July 2, 1776, the legislature of this state, then called the Provincial Congress of New Jersey, assembled in Burlington, adopted the constitution under which the commonwealth was governed until that instrument was amended, in 1844, and modeled after that of the United States adopted in the year 1789.

In that notable state paper, the first constitution of New Jersey, the representatives of our people said :

“Whereas all the constitutional authority ever possessed by the kings of Great Britain over these colonies, or their other dominions, was, by compact, derived from the people, and held of them for the common interest of the whole society; allegiance and protection are, in the nature of things, reciprocal ties, each equally depending upon the other, and liable to be dissolved by the other's being refused or withdrawn. And whereas, George the third, King of Great Britain, has refused protection to the good people of these colonies; and, by assenting to sundry acts of the British parliament, attempted to subject them to the absolute dominion of that body; and has also made war upon them in the most cruel and unnatural manner, for no other cause than asserting their just rights; all civil authority under him is necessarily at an end, and a dissolution of government in each colony has consequently taken place.

“And whereas, in the present deplorable situation of these colonies, exposed to the fury of a cruel and relentless enemy, some form of government is absolutely necessary, not only for the preservation of good order, but also the more effectually to unite the people, and enable them to exert their whole force in their own necessary defense; and as the honorable, the continental congress, the supreme council of the American colonies, has advised such of the colonies as have not yet gone into the measure, to adopt for themselves respectively such government, as shall best conduce to their own happiness and safety, and the well-being of America in general; we, the representatives of the colony of New Jersey, having been elected by all the counties in the freest manner, and in congress assembled, have, after mature deliberation, agreed upon a set of charter rights, and the form of a constitution in manner following, that is to say :”

Then follows that superstructure of our free government in New Jersey, which, in its essential features, is embedded in the amended constitution under which Jerseymen live and flourish to this day.

In the year 1793 these Barracks were partially dismantled. Front Street was then, by proper governmental action, extended through the north end of the main building, leaving the north wing running east, including the officers' quarters, on the new street. They were turned into four separate dwellings, the officers' quarters into one by itself. The original external walls of these detached buildings were never disturbed, although they were partially disguised by additions and in other ways. The remaining portion of the main building and the south wing running east have never been seriously disturbed. This portion, so long conspicuous on the south side of Front Street, now vacated and obliterated, was sold by the state after the Revolutionary war, and was used principally for apartments until 1855, when it was purchased by the Widows' and Single Women's Home Society, and used in the work of philanthropy until 1902, when that institution moved elsewhere and the Society offered the Barracks property for sale. To prevent the ancient structure falling into the hands of operators who would doubtless have sunk its historic walls into the ground to make foundations for other buildings, the women of Trenton and elsewhere throughout the state resolved that those gray walls should not pass into commercial hands and become obliterated, but should be preserved in their historic originality.

For their having thus rescued them from ultimate demolition and spoliation, those women are entitled to enduring praise. That work or rescue made possible the splendid work of restoration now almost entirely finished by the generosity of the State of New Jersey.

The project of the Bunker Hill monument, I am told, lagged for years and its completion finally resulted from the patriotic efforts of the women of New England.

The women of the Old Barracks Association and the Woman's Branch of the New Jersey Historical Society are worthy descendants of their granddames of the Revolution.

It is not inappropriate for me to pay some tribute to the women of that period.

Comparatively little has been written about the heroism

and self-sacrifice of the women of 1776. History does not do them justice. It does not show us the important part borne by women in laying the foundation upon which stands the majestic fabric of our government.

In the New Jersey Gazette of October 11, 1780, we find this : "No mean merit will accrue to him who shall justly celebrate the virtues of our ladies ! Shall not their generous contributions to relieve the wants of the defenders of our country supply a column to emulate the Roman women stripped of their jewels when the public necessity demanded them ?"

The women of the Revolution visited the hospitals daily ; sought the dungeons of the provost marshal ; and the crowded holds of prison ships ; carried provisions to the captives, their only means of recompense being the blessings of those who were ready to perish.

They raised grain, gathered it, made bread and carried it to the army, or to prisons, accompanying the supply with exhortations to the men never to abandon the cause of their country.

The burial of those slain in battle often devolved upon them ; and sometimes enemies would not have received sepulture without the service of their hands.

Many of the young women of the day went so far as not to receive the addresses of any suitors who had not obeyed the call to arms.

By the zealous exertions and willing sacrifices of those women not only was the pressure of want removed, but the sympathy and favor of the fair daughters of America, says one of the journals, "operated like a charm on the soldier's heart, — gave vigor to exertion, confidence to his hopes of success, and the certainty of ultimate victory and peace." General Washington, in a letter of acknowledgment to a committee of ladies, said : "The army ought not to regret its sacrifices or its sufferings, when they meet with so flattering a reward as is the sympathy of your sex ; nor can it fear that its interest will be neglected, when espoused by advocates as powerful as they are amiable."

Neither the alarms of war, nor the roar of strife, could silence the voice of woman lifted in encouragement or in prayer. The horrors of battle or massacre could not drive her from the post of duty.

As the Revolutionary struggle recedes into the dim vista of the past, it is regarded with increasing interest and greater veneration by those who enjoy its results. This truth is abundantly evidenced by the numerous patriotic societies which have been formed by and among the descendants of the heroic hosts that shared the disasters and successes of that sacred war.

If in the calm that succeeded the storm— if during the period that followed the struggle— the supporters and defenders of our country, weary of the conflict, turned their hearts and minds to other things and permitted the ravages of time to obliterate many an object of historic interest, we, their descendants, atone for their sins of omission, and, fired with an unalterable zeal, are resolved, that every remaining relic shall be preserved— a sacred altar ! at whose shrine we may worship.

In this spirit the Old Barracks at Trenton are being generously restored by the State of New Jersey that they may be preserved for all time and for all people, — a link connecting our warlike past with our peaceful present.

Tombstone Inscriptions.

GRAVEYARD ON BARNEY FERDON FARM, NORWOOD,
NEW JERSEY—(BERGEN CO.)

Copied, Nov. 1909.

1. Susan, wife of Nicholas Thompson d. 29 May 1831 ae.
27—1—17.
2. Mary Thompson d. 30 Nov. 1831 ae. 45 yrs.
3. Benjamin Charlston d. 16 Feb. 1860 ae. 61 yrs.
4. Phebe Charlston b. 30 Apr. 1834, d. 27 May 1852 ae. 18 y.
27 d.
5. James Charlston d. 14 Feb. 1832 ae. 5—1—3.
6. John Ernest d. 12 Nov. 1841 in 71 yr.

About a dozen rough stones as markers.

The majority, if not all, of the above, were colored people.

Midwinter Meeting of the Woman's Branch.

BY MRS. MARY D. OGDEN.

The inauguration a few years ago by the Woman's Branch of the New Jersey Historical Society of a mid-winter meeting to be held in the southern part of the state was an important advance in the development of woman's work for the Society. The idea originated with the President, Miss Mary McKeen, and it has been a pleasure and a satisfaction to all who are active in the organization to see the growth in interest and membership in the southern part of the state, largely due to these meetings. Our state is so rich in history that we can hardly go to any locality without finding something of absorbing interest.

The meeting in Trenton on February 24th last was no exception to this rule. Members arriving by train were met and were placed in automobiles by Mrs. Charles Ellis Hayes and a committee of ladies. From the Pennsylvania station the guests were taken through Clinton to Perry street, past the Swamp Angel at the corner.

To Montgomery street, to State street, passing the Quaker meeting house, at the corner of Hanover, in which Hessian soldiers were quartered; it was built in 1739.

To Broad street, passing the First Presbyterian church on the right, where Colonel Rall and twenty-four Hessian soldiers are said to have been buried.

To Ferry street, passing (1) Taylor's Opera House, in the rear of which stood the apple orchard where Von Knyp-hausen's regiment surrendered; (2) the Assanpink block, the location of the only bridge over the Assanpink creek in 1776; (3) the German Lutheran church, on the southwest side, where the Douglas house stood in which General Washington

held a council of war on the night of January 2, 1777, prior to his march to Princeton; (4) Mercer Court House on the right; (5) Eagle tavern on the right, which stood there in 1776; (6) Roebling's mill, in view of what appears to be the end of the street.

To Fair street, the Trenton ferry, just below the river bridge, where a part of Washington's army crossed to Pennsylvania on December 7, 1776.

To Bridge street, to South Warren street, to State street, passing (1) the Trenton bank on the right, where stood the jail from the steps of which the Declaration of Independence was read; (2) the Mechanics Bank on the corner, where the tavern stood in which the Continental Congress held several meetings.

To Willow street, to West Hanover street, to Prospect street, the route of Sullivan's army to the battle of Trenton, December 26, 1776.

To West State street, to Parkside avenue, passing at Colonial avenue the Hermitage on the left where General Sullivan attacked the Yager picket post.

Through the park, to Hillcrest avenue, to Scotch road, passing the Soldiers and Sailors' monument on the left.

To Pennington road, the Odd Fellows' Home at the junction, where Generals Washington and Greene attacked the Hessian picket post.

To Princeton avenue, to Sandford street, the high ground at the corner where General Washington observed and from which he directed the battle.

To Brunswick avenue, the Fox Chase tavern location on the right, a little below and nearly opposite Montgomery street.

To Broad street, passing the Trenton Battle Monument, near which, on Warren street, Captain Hamilton opened his battery, and Broad street, where Captain Forrest opened his battery on the morning of December 26, 1776.

To Perry street, to Montgomery street, to Academy street, to Broad street, passing (1) the Public Library on the right; (2) the northeast corner of Academy and Broad streets,

where the Methodist church stood into which Colonel Rall was carried after being wounded; (3) Isaac Yard's house on Broad street, in front of which Colonel Rall was shot.

To Perry street, to Warren street, to West Front street, passing (1) Bishop McFaul's residence, on Warren street, opposite Perry street, where stood the house of Stacy Potts, in which Colonel Rall had his headquarters and where he died, December 27, 1776; (2) the English or St. Michael's church on the left where the Hessian troops were quartered before the battle; (3) the northwest corner of Warren and State streets, where stood the house of Abraham Hunt, in which Colonel Rall drank and played cards while Washington was crossing the river at McConkey's ferry.

To West Front street, through which General Sullivan's brigade passed to the bridge on South Broad street during the battle.

To the Old Barracks, with the State House in view.

Miss Mary McKeen, Justice Francis J. Swayze, Mrs. William S. Stryker, Mrs. J. Welling Titus, Mrs. Edwin Robert Walker, Mrs. Elmer Ewing Green, Mrs. Charles W. Parker and others received the guests. After luncheon Mrs. Stryker gave the address of welcome, which was responded to by Miss McKeen, President of the Woman's Branch. Chancellor Edwin Robert Walker read an interesting paper on the Old Barracks, giving its history and an account of its purchase and rehabilitation. An able address on the Battle of Trenton was delivered by General Thomas S. Chambers. During the afternoon Miss Jeanette Miller Wells sang many quaint old songs and Miss Messerschmidt played charmingly on the harp. Justice Swayze closed the programme with an address of farewell.

The Beginnings of the Morris & Essex Railroad.

Light is shed upon the early history of the Morris & Essex Railroad by documentary material, both printed and in manuscript, long preserved by descendants of Colonel William Brittin, one of the early surveyors of the road, and more recently possessed by the late Fred A. Bardon of Madison. The documents include a pamphlet entitled "Morris & Essex Rail-Road: Its Prospects, Expenses, &c. By the Directors, Sep't. 10, 1835;" a manuscript dated January 20, 1836, containing articles of agreement between the company and Major Ephraim Beach of Newark and Abraham Brittin, contractors, and a manuscript letter containing the names of stockholders of the road at an election held in June, 1849. Accompanying the pamphlet is a map drawn under the direction of Ephraim Beach, who also was one of the civil engineers employed by the road.

Probably the pamphlet is the first report ever printed by order of the Morris & Essex Railroad Company. Its charter had been obtained from the Legislature January 29, 1835, and by March 23, following, nine directors had been elected. The manuscript agreement shows that just nine days before a year had elapsed, after the granting of the charter, a contract to build the road was signed.

The pamphlet sets forth the "prospects, expenses, &c." of the Morris & Essex Railroad. It reads quite as if a few neighbors had gotten together on some matter pertaining to the general welfare. The details in the report as to the people, products and topography of the region to be traversed make excellent historical material.

The directors in their statement ask and answer two questions: The first is: "Is it practicable to construct a Rail Road from Morristown, to some point or points in Essex county, contiguous to the tide waters near the harbor of New York, in such manner as greatly to facilitate the intercourse between the country and the city?" The second reads: "Can such a road be constructed at such expense, as that the transportation of passengers, the production of the country, and merchandise, may offer a fair and reasonable remuneration to those who may embark in it?"

To answer to the first question, two engineers had been engaged by the company, Benjamin Wright of New York and Ephraim Beach. Judge Wright, it is stated, "was one of the most experienced and able engineers in the United States," and he chose Major Beach, with whom he had long been connected in professional business, as his assistant. Wright, in a letter, pays his assistant this tribute: "During a personal acquaintance and association with Mr. Beach for 15 or 16 years, on canals and railroads, I have had every opportunity to test his judgment and skill in locating public works and estimating their cost, and I should place as much confidence in his judgment in the location and fairness in estimating the cost, as any Engineer of my acquaintance."

The engineers in investigating the practicability of building the railroad made Morristown their starting point. It was found that "a good road of easy elevation, either for horse or steam power, can be constructed, and in readiness for the cars, at an average expense of about \$9,000 per mile." This average estimate included the building of the necessary bridge over the Passaic River below Chatham at a cost of \$20,000.

Between Millville (now Millburn) and Newark there were two proposed routes, one by way of South Orange and Orange, as now existent, and the other by way of Vauxhall and the country lying between the present Irvington and Union, then known by the names of Camptown and Connecticut Farms. This southern route, had it been adopted, would have brought the railroad to the junction of the

present Avon and Elizabeth avenues, and through the present Clinton avenue to Broad, and up to the Four Corners in Newark. All this is clearly shown on the map of Engineer Beach. By either route the distance was about twenty-three miles, but "if extended through Newark to the Passaic River" about twenty-four miles.

Major Beach estimated the cost of the whole road, "with a single track and turnout to each mile," at \$217,345.73 by the "Southern route," and at \$219,193.54 by the "Orange route." Doubtless the Orange route was adopted because of the greater population, the other route lying through a thinly populated farming region. Except at Short Hills, where the grade reached seventy feet to a mile, there were no grades by either route, that exceeded sixty feet.

It was stated, the assumption being that the Orange route would be chosen, that the citizens of the north end of Newark "besides subscribing \$100,000 to the capital stock, have given a free passage to the road, through a beautiful avenue of eighty feet in width to Broad street, and thence through the town to the Rail Road bridge over the Passaic River." This "beautiful avenue" is the present Railroad avenue, and the road when built ran down Broad and through Center street to the Center street bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad, then known as the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company. This was the only railroad bridge at the time over the Passaic at Newark.

Beach's map shows an alternate connection between the Orange route and the New Jersey Railroad, possibly meant as an additional spur to be used as a more direct route for trains intended to go southward on the New Jersey Railroad. This branch was to leave the Morris and Essex near the present Grove Street Station and run along the old Orange Road, now Warren street, to Market street, taking generally the route of the present Bank and Warren or Orange electric cars.

The second question, as to whether the road would be profitable, involved expenditures for building, equipment and maintenance, as compared to receipts from freight and passengers. Taking the round sum of \$219,000 as the cost of

building, the engineers added for equipment \$3,000 for four cars at \$750 each, and \$20,000 for four engines at \$5,000 each, bringing the total to \$242,000 as the cost of the road.

It was proposed to adopt the same form of superstructure as that used by the New Jersey Railroad between Newark and Jersey City, consisting of mud-sills laid along the road-bed held in position by cross-ties about three feet apart, and wooden "rails," six by six inches, upon which were laid the iron tracks, or plates, two and one quarter inches wide by five-eighths of an inch thick. The sills and ties were to be made of native oak and of chestnut, and the "rails" of Norway pine.

It was estimated upon the basis of passengers and freight carried by stages and wagons along the route that the income of the company would be \$49,708.00 yearly, and that the expense of maintaining and running the road would amount to \$20,120.00, leaving "the sum of Twenty Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Eight Dollars to be divided among the Stockholders of the Company, which is an income of about 12 per cent. on the amount of capital invested."

As an example of the calculations, Morristown and its environs were shown to be paying at the time \$24,640 for transportation of passengers yearly by stages and private conveyances, and \$14,712 for freight, a total of \$39,352. The railroad could do this business for \$26,376, and save the community \$12,976. Madison, it was figured could save \$1,608, Chatham \$5,457, New Providence \$5,312, Springfield \$10,933 and Orange \$17,000. No wonder the directors naively suggested that "the owners of land through Orange, and thence to Morris, will find their interests promoted by giving the soil freely" in order that the road might be built with as little expense as possible.

The names of the incorporators mentioned in the charter granted January 29, 1835, are James Cook, William N. Wood, William Brittin, Jephthah B. Munn, Israel D. Condict, John J. Bryant and Isaac Baldwin. The road, according to the charter, might run from one or more suitable place or places,

in the village of Morristown, "to intersect one or more places in the railroad known by the name of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, at Newark or at Elizabethtown, in the county of Essex, or between those places."

Some interesting things are found in the manuscript articles of agreement drawn up on January 20, 1836, between the Morris & Essex Railroad Co. and the contractors, Ephraim Beach and Abraham Brittin. The basis of the agreement was the report and estimates of Wright and Beach, presented to the company July 18, 1835, the substance of which was printed in the pamphlet previously mentioned.

The contract covered eleven miles of the proposed railroad, which Wright and Beach were to "excavate, build and construct," furnishing all materials necessary, from Morristown to the "termination of the eleventh mile." This section included the bridge over the Passaic below Chatham, and extended into the present Summit, which at the time was not on the map, or mentioned by name. The consideration was \$114,597.88.

One of the articles provides for the viaduct (the largest bridge of the road) to be built "across the Passaic river near Bonnel's Mill (in Chatham) of solid masonry".

Another article prohibits intoxicating liquors from being used by employees of the contractors.

To the agreement is signed the name of Lewis Condict, president of the railroad, and also the names of Beach and Brittin, the contractors. Barnabas Day, the proprietor of the Park House, Newark, was a witness to the signing of the agreement. Major Beach was one of the engineers of the Morris Canal, completed from the Delaware to the Passaic in 1832.

The agreement in full reads as follows;

Articles of Agreement made and Signed this twentieth day of January A. D. 1836 Between "The Morris and Essex railroad Compy." parties of the first part and Ephraim Beach Esqr. of Newark in the County of Essex & State of New Jersey, and

Abraham Brittin Esqr. of Madison in the County of Morris in said State parties of the second part.

Whereas by an act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey passed the twenty ninth day of January A. D. 1835 entitled an "Act to incorporate the Morris and Essex railroad Company" for the purpose of Constructing a railroad from Morris Town in the County of Morris to intersect the railroad of the New Jersey railroad and transportation Company and :

Whereas under the provision of the said Act, the parties of the first part acting by their president and board of Directors have caused an estimate of the expense, of Constructing and finishing the said road and a survey of the rout to be made by their Engineers Benjamin Wright and Ephraim Beach Esqs. detailing the dimensions and prescribing the mode of Making the road, on the bases of which report, a Contract has been entered into with the parties of the second part for the Construction of part of the said road on the terms following to wit;

Article 1. The Official report and estimate of Benjamin Wright and Ephraim Beach Esqs, Engineers of the Company made to the Directors and bearing date the 18th day of July last shall constitute the basis of this agreement as to the dimensions, route, Materials and mode of Constructing the road, and shall at all times be received and Constitute part of this agreement.

Article 2. The parties of the second part agrees to excavate, build and Construct the road as located by the aforesaid Engineers in their said report and to furnish all materials necessary and proper for the same for eleven miles. That is to say from the Commencement of the road at Morris Town in the County of Morris and proceeding through Madison crossing Passaic river near the Mills Jonathan C. Bonnell and thence to the termination of the Eleventh Mile, measuring the line and estimating the distance as the road shall be permanently located according to the Dimensions, rout and mode stated in said report for the Consideration or Sum of One hundred and fourteen thousand, five hundred and ninety seven dollars & eighty eight cents and in case the parties of the first part shall vary the line of the road and the mode of Constructing it, (which they expressly reserve the right of doing in their direction) an Equitable allowance shall be made by the parties to this agreement therefore, for any increase or diminution of expences by reason of such Variation, and in Case of a disagreement respecting such allowance the same to be referred to men indifferently chosen by the parties, and in case the Engineer Benjamin Wright is so circumstanced that he can Conveniently attend to the same it is understood that the same shall be referred to him.

Article 3. The parties of the first part agree to pay the parties of the second part the sum named in the second article of this agreement for the services to be done and materials found by them under this agreement in the Following manner to Wit, the parties of the first part agree to make by their Engineers or agents Monthly estimates of the Work done and Materials found by the parties of the second part, which estimates or Copies thereof shall be delivered to the parties of the second part and they shall be paid immediately so much as the work done and Materials furnished are estimated to be worth by the said Engineers or agents Compared with the whole work to be done under this agreement two thirds thereof in money and one third in stock as hereafter mentioned, and all the materials there furnished delivered and paid for shall thereafter be the property of the railroad Company.

Article 4. The parties of the second part agree to Commence their work by the day of next and to prosecute it with diligence and to finish the whole work Contracted for under this agreement by the first day of January 1837 unless prevented from going on by the Company in which Case they shall be allowed an additional time after that period equal to such detention.

Article 5. A Viaduct is to be built across the Passaic river near Bonnell's Mill of solid masonry and of enduring materials with one or more arches resting upon solid and sufficient abutments, embankments and piers from forty to fifty feet in height so as to ensure a sufficient Vent for the Water at all seasons and a safe and easy passage for locomotives, engines, Cars of burthen and passengers as long as the Charter of the Co. shall exist extraordinary Convulsions of Nature, and Wanton destruction by man always excepted. The Masonry in different places upon the line being intended for Various uses will be varied in its Strueter, stile and Materials according to its importance and situation. The ring stones and coping for Viaducts, bridges & Culverts must be hammer dressed, cut or tooled, and it is the understanding of the parties that the engineer of the Co. is to prescribe and furnish the plans and direct the mode of Constructing & grading the road and all the bridges, Viaducts, Culverts and drains belonging to it. He shall decide upon the quantities of all the Material to be used whether of wood, stone, iron, lime, sand, or clay and their suitability & fitness for the use intended, he shall prescribe the thickness and dimensions of all Walls and of the Cement and Mortar to be used, the dimensions, species, and qualities of every material to be used in every part of the Contract. No unnecessary nor superfluous expense is to be required or exacted of the Contractors,

yet it is understood and intended by both parties, that in all respects the entire work is to be executed and performed in a good substantial firm and workmanlike manner of good materials, so as to answer all reasonable expectations of its durability, utility and Convenience.

Article 6. The parties of the second part agree to take one third part of the Consideration or sum agreed to be paid them under this agreement in the Capital Stock of the Company at par Value for which stock they are to be called on for no payments except in their monthly settlements with the Company when they are to be Credited on the treasurer's Book as part payment of their Stock for one third part of the amount then due them, But if the Directors at any time during the progress of the Work shall deem it adviseable or necessary to retain some portion of monies due the parties of the second part for labour or Materials, as a pledge or Security for the faithful performance of the Whole Contract under this agreement, the parties of the second part hereby assent to the exercise of the right to retain such Sum provided it shall at no time exceed in amount an average of ten per Cent on the whole amount to be paid under this Contract.

Article 7. If any Solid rock shall be found in the line of the road which it shall become necessary to remove, the parties of the second part are to be allowed an equitable and Just amount for the extra labour and expence necessary for its removal.

Article 8. Experience may Suggest Modifications and changes in the plan and execution of the road and in the Materials to be used. It is admitted that the Directors by their Engineers may at any time make such modifications and changes as they shall from time to time deem to be necessary and proper, and the Contractors shall Conform to the directions and instructions of the Engineers at all times, during the progress of the work the effect of all such Changes and modifications shall be fairly estimated and Valued by the Engineer, and allowance made therefor, either to the Contractors or to the Co. as equity shall require.

Article 9. It is admitted that the Engineer of the Co is to prescribe and dictate the Manner of Constructing the road, the quantity dimensions and Character of all materials to be used, yet it may Serve to show the intention and Views of the parties to particularise and give details of some items which are now to be expressed Subject however to be revised, corrected and altered by the Engineer according to the sound Exercise of his best Judgment and discretion. The road is generally to be graded fifteen feet wide Varying its Width in excavation and embankments as may

be required. It is to be graded as nearly level as can be Consistently done, and it is expected that no part of this Contract West of the Short Hills will exceed in its elevation Sixty feet to the Mile—all materials Subject to decay as roots, Stumps of trees, old timber & are to be removed and excluded from embankments. All necessary ditches side drains Culverts Conductors etc. are to be Constructed as the Engineer shall direct, to Secure the slope, excavations embankments etc. from the Effects of Water and the whole Surface of the embankments, excavations side slope etc. are to be dressed off in a smooth neat and workmanlike manner. The Grading for the Double track at the turnouts is to be at least twenty-four feet wide, and the number of turnouts not to exceed on an average one to each Mile, to be located at the discretion of the Engineers. The Horse path to be filled with good materials, as the Engineer shall approve, the timber for the Superstructure to be of the best of the sort mentioned in the Estimate, and of such dimensions as the Engineers May direct to be put down under his Directions the foundations being all firm, the timbers well beded and secured and both timber and Iron to be inspected before it is put down, in the Constructions of all Viaducts, bridges, and Culverts it is expected that the foundations be made secure. Where the stream passes over rock if practible the rock shall be the foundation of the Superstructure of Masonry.

Article 10. For the preservation of peace and good order, to prevent riots and brawls and other disturbances along the line of this work it is mutually agreed that no ardent Spirits nor any Kinds of intoxicating drinks shall be permitted by the Contractors, who hereby pledge themselves to use all proper endeavors, and to exert their best influence to prevent its introduction and use amongst the labours employed upon the work.

Article 11. As Ephraim Beach Esqr. is the Engineer of the Company as well as a party to this agreement—and as by the terms of this agreement many matters are Submitted to his direction and Controle as engineere and must necessarily be so now to avoid any Difficulty which may arise therefrom it is agreed that in case the Company shall not be Satisfied with the decision on any of the Matters referred to his discretion and Controle, under this agreement that all such matters shall be referred to impartial men to be Selected Mutually by the parties, it being understood that in case the aforesaid Benjamin Wright Esqr. can Conveniently attend to the same, it shall be referred to him.

In Witness whereof the parties of the first part have hereunto caused this agreement to be Signed by their president and the Seal of the Company to be affixed and the parties of the second

part have hereunto Set their hands and seals the day and year
first above Written Lewis Condict, President of

Morris & Essex R. Road. Co.

Morristown January 20th 1836

Witness present :

Ephraim Beach
Abraham Brittin

Barnabas Day.

Postscript, Since the parties to this instrument have made
their verbal agreement Various causes have delayed its final execu-
tion on paper. The work however has actually commenced at
Passaic river & at Madison some weeks prior to the Signature &
date of these articles.

The manuscript list of stockholders, dated 1849, is in the
form of a letter without comment addressed to "Abram
Brittin" at Madison and postmarked June 9, Newark, N. J.
It is headed "List of Stockholders of the Morris and Essex
Railroad, June Election, 1849". The names of many promin-
ent Jerseymen of that period are on the list, together with
the number of shares they owned. The list alphabetically
in full follows; Jonas Agens—44, William Agens—40, Charles
Alling—152, John Alling—120, A. Britten—203, John C.
Bonnell—137, W. Britten—8, Daniel Babbitt—240, R. D.
Baldwin—20, John Blackburn—266, J. C. B.—20, C. D. Bald-
win—64, H. N. B.—20, G. Burnham—125, C. B. Campfield—
36, Edward Condit—152, Silas Condit—134, Lewis Condit—
376, Silas B. Condit—50, H. B. Campbell—20, Bethuel Crane
—12, J. W. Condit—355, J. W. C. & Pool—48, Crane & Little
—32, Ira Dodd—142, M. W. Dodd—16, S. D. Day & Co.—248,
S. D. Day & Bailey—44, M. H. Day—16, G. L. Ford—150,
W. S. Faintoute—32, J. C. Garthwaite—200, Wm. Garland—
10, E. Gray—24, James Henderson—10, H. & Redfield—4,
James Hague—4, William Hague—20, Oliver J. Hague—140,
Charles Johnson—45, Kitchell & Ward—12, John M. Lindsley
—80, George Lindsley—72, Richard Lean—110, Ephraim
Marsh—200, Ralph Marsh—45, John Marsh—40, Henry B.
Munsell—20, Noah Matthews—70, C. C. Meeker—58, Johnson
Martin—20, Moses B. Martin—12, Oba Meeker—16, David Ma-
gie—5, Newark Bank—50, Orange Bank—200, Albert Pierson

(blank), Estate of S. Condit—168, Jonathan Parkhurst—420, J. P. Phoenix—300, Jonas S. Quimby—22, William Rankin—120, D. D. Reynolds—73, Moses Reynolds—20, Alexander W. Rogers—50, Eliza Reynolds—26, Ezekiel B. Smith—26, Caleb Smith—20, Thomas L. Smith—72, James R. Sayre—100, Ellen E. Shipman—8, Moses Sayre—100, George W. Sharp—20, Fitch Smith—110, Estate Hanford Smith—100, Samuel Smith—8, John F. Voorhis & Co.—40, Estate James Vanderpool—302, Beach Vanderpool—355, Beach Vanderpool Trustee—60, Beach Vanderpool Trustee for E. F. Baldwin—4, Stephen Vail—342, George Vail—103, Alfred Vail—100, Mary A. Vail—100, C. Van Antwerp—102, J. D. Vermilye—33, James Wood—100, Thomas T. Wood—146, Thomas T. Wood Trustee—8, William N. Wood—156, James A. Williams—84, Charles Williams—48, Maria Williams—32, Margaret Williams—32, William Wright—880.

Closely related to the foregoing documents is a letter written by Lewis Condict to the financier Nicholas Biddle, a copy of which was obtained by the late William Nelson, Corresponding Secretary of the New Jersey Historical Society. The letter refers to the Morris and Essex Railroad, then building, and suggests a branch of the United States Bank for Morristown. It reads as follows :

Morristown, N. Jersey, Apl. 18th, 1836.
(Rec'd. Apl. 22.)

Gentlemen,

Permit me to introduce to your friendly regards, my worthy & esteemed friend, James Wood, Esqr., a native & a resident of this vicinity.

He thinks of proposing to the Directors of the U. S. Bank, to establish an office in this place, under the auspices & instructions of the Board.

His plan is, as I understood him, to commence upon a small & economical scale, augmenting it, as experience & future occasion may suggest.

A Rail Road is in progress, from Newark to this place, which it's Contractors are pledged to finish by the first of January next.

Measures are taking for its extension, Westward, to Carpenter's point, with a view to the great Erie R. Road of N. Y.

We believe that Banking capital may be beneficially employed here, both for the lender & the borrower. Should the Bank be willing, upon mature reflection, to try an experiment here, with \$50,000, or \$75,000, I know no man more worthy of it's entire confidence than Mr. Wood, as well for his integrity, as for his qualifications & fitness to superintend it. He has been long engaged here, in successful trade, & for many years, has conducted the State Bank here, with high reputation for himself. He knows well, the circumstances of all our business people, & possesses the confidence, respect, & esteem, of all classes of our citizens. He was for several years, the sole Representative of this County, in the Legislative Council of our State. — He has not done homage, nor bowed his knee, to the political Dagon of his day, & therefore has shared the fate of many other good & honorable men. — He is advantageously known in N. York, both in Wall Street & Pearl Street, & can bring ample testimonials from there. If his views should meet the approbation of your board, he can give ample security for any pecuniary trust, which may be confided to him.

With high respect & esteem,

Your very obt. Servt.

& friend,

Lewis Condict.

Honorable N. Biddle, Prest. U. S. Bank, &

Honorable John Sergeant, one of it's Directors.

Joseph F. Folsom.

Fullarton.

BY EDITH H. MATHER.

The family of Fullarton — also spelled Fullerton, and every other imaginable way — is an ancient and well established one in Scotland. According to Nisbet, Sir Adam Fullarton of that ilk, son of Reginald Fullarton of the same, obtained a new charter of the lands of Fullarton and others from James, High Steward of Scotland, 1240, afterwards confirmed by charter in the first year of King Robert II. See Nisbet's Heraldry, Vol. 1., p. 331. The arms given are :

Arms : Argent, three otter heads erased, gules. *Crest* : A camel's head, proper. *Motto* : *Lux in tenebris*. *Supporters* : Two savages wreathed about the head and middle with laurel, all proper, holding in their hands branches of laurel.

Burke, in his Dictionary of the Landed Gentry, Supplement, p. 57, gives the following incident in their early history: "Goldfridus Fullerton of Fullerton in the counties of Perth and Forfar got from King Robert the Bruce a charter of the office of King's Fowler, the grantee and his successors being obliged to serve the king's house with wild fowl when the king and his successors shall come to Forfar, when Fullerton shall be entertained with a servant and two horses." Now, Fullarton of Kennaber is a cadet of the house of Fullarton of that ilk, clearly shown by the arms which are, Argent, on a fess gules two mullets of the field between three otters' heads erased of the second. *Motto* : *Mihi terrasque lacusque*, which means, "I have lands and waters." Nisbet goes on to say that "the otter lives both in land and water and is said by

some to mean a shifty warrior." It is much more likely, however, that it was adopted as being symbolical of their possessions as expressed in the motto.

Thomas and Robert Fullarton, who came to East Jersey in 1684, were the sons of John Fullarton of Kennaber. On April 22, 1684, Robert Barelay of Urie in the Kingdom of Scotland conveyed 1/10 of 1/48 part of the province of East New Jersey to "Thomas Fullarton brother germane to Kennaber"; and the same amount to Robert Fullarton, also "brother germane to Kennaber" (Liber A of East Jersey Deeds, pp. 325, 326). In July of that year they sailed from Montrose, Scotland, arriving in the province in October. They went first to Perth Amboy but afterwards to Elizabethtown, as it was older and afforded better accommodations (East Jersey under the Proprietors, p. 304).

Robert F. Fullarton brought over nine servants and had them registered, October 1684 (Liber A of Deeds, p. 187). See New Jersey Archives, Vol. XXI., p. 65.

A great many Scotchmen came over about this time, but the Fullartons, the Gordons, Johnstone of Spotswood, John Forbes and John Barelay, the Governor's brother, seem to have been particularly intimate. They all took up land together along Cedar Brook, "close under the Blew Mountains". It covered rather an extensive territory and part of it is now known as Scotch Plains. In Whitehead's East Jersey Under the Proprietors, p. 304, there is "A letter from Thomas Fullerton, Brother to the Laird of Kennaber, to his Brother in Law Doctor Gordon in Montrose." The letter is written from Elizabethtown and dated January, 1685. He gives a short account of his voyage and a description of the country; does not altogether enjoy its hardships and loneliness. He appreciates the clear and beautiful weather, the healthfulness of the climate and the fertility of the soil, but there seems to be a longing for the society of his friends in Scotland. He realizes the possibilities of the country and that his opportunities here are better than in Scotland. It is, on the whole, rather resigned than enthusiastic. The "Doctor Gordon", to whom this letter was written, was John Gordon

of Colieston, brother of Thomas and Charles Gordon of Perth Amboy and son of Robert Gordon of Pitlurg and Stralloch. By referring to the lineage of this family in Burke's *Commoners of Great Britain*, p. 45, it will be seen that his first wife was Katherine, dau. of John Fullerton of Kennaber. As Dr. Gordon was the Fullartons' brother-in-law, the assumption that they were the sons of John Fullerton of Kennaber, seems warranted. Another letter of the same date written "to the Laird of Brotherstown in the Mairns," says: "You were pleased so keenly to concern yourself with my welfare when I was by you (and I find that absence augments true friendship) that I am obliged to acquaint you with my present fortune, which I hope shall be far better than what I could expect by so much Stock in *Scotland*. This place is not altogether boorish, for at *New York* you may have railing and Gallantry enough, the inhabitants are generally great spenders. Dear *Brothertoun* write to me, and give me an accompt of affairs, for I assure you, neither Governor nor Council will meddle with yours to me, nor mine to you: by my next I will write to *Clunie* and John Johnstone: in the meantime present my service to them. I am in haste to end writing, tho ever being

"Your Obliged Commerad and humble Servant

"Tho: Fullerton."

The friend to whom this letter was written was Scot of Brotherstown, one of the numerous lairds of the great family of Scot. *Clunie* mentioned in his letter was Robert Gordon of Clunie, one of the Twenty-four Proprietors, and John Johnstone was the well-known Dr. Johnstone of Perth Amboy, who came over in the *Henry and Francis* with George Scot of Pitlochic.

Thomas Fullerton acted here as proxy for the Thomas Barker, the Proprietor, while his brother Robert was Thomas Hart's proxy.

Robert Fullerton's letters seem a little more cheerful. He writes a letter to his "Brothers and Sisters" from Perth Amboy, Nov. 6, 1684, probably written soon after their arrival. He tells of their rough voyage over, one hundred and thirty

passengers in a small crowded vessel. They both speak affectionately of their grandmother, who was evidently opposed to their coming, as Robert says to "assure her that she wronged the country in her opinion." Kennaber seems to have bought land here also, for Robert writes to him Jan. 7, 1685, "We have made choise of your land next adjacent to mine and have placed your servants there." They were both among the Commissioners appointed by the London Proprietors, Aug. 1, 1684, to confirm Acts of Assembly, settle matters in dispute between Proprietors and former Planters of said Province as to arrears, quit rents, &c., to dispose of land by patent, &c.; to purchase land from the Indians, to set out land to settlers, to run lines of division between the Province and New York or West Jersey (Leaming and Spicer, p. 195). They were also among the Commissioners for Business of Lands, appointed July, 1685 (Ibid, p. 213).

They did not remain long in New Jersey, but went over to New York sometime during the year 1686, and Robert died there. Thomas went on to the island of Barbadoes and Thomas Rudyard, Deputy-governor of East Jersey, left him his executor for Barbadoes and England (N. J. Archives, Vol. XXI., p. 210). The following abstracts of deeds from Vol. XXI. of New Jersey Archives will show on what grounds these statements are made.

1687, Sept. 2, Confirmation to Robert Fullartone, late of Amboy, 300 acres of land in the Blew Hills (p. 122).

1688, Nov. 15, Thomas Fullertone now of the island of Barbadoes (p. 163).

1691, Oct. 13, Power of Attorney, John Fulertoun of Angus County, Scotland, to his brother Thomas Fulertoun, late of New York, now of the island of Barbadoes, to settle the estate of their deceased brother Robert Fulertoun of New York, who died January, 1687 (p. 202). Angus County is the same as Forfar.

1693, Oct. 26, Confirmation to Thomas Foulerton of the island of Barbadoes, in his own right and that of his brother Robert, deceased, 550 acres in Middlesex Co. (p. 207).

1698, April 8, Deed. "Thomas Foulerton of the island of

Barbadoes appointed by Thomas Rudyard of the same island, with Hannah Beamont, executor of his will, to George Willocks and Margaret his wife, for all his right, title, etc., in and to the legacies left him by the said Rudyard" (p. 317).

1702, April, Confirmation to Thomas Fullarton as his second dividend of 500 acres of land, etc. (p. 334).

There was also a James Fullarton in Perth Amboy about the same time, but I have not yet found any record that identifies him.

1687, Aug. 10, James Fullarton is witness to the will of David Campbell of Perth Amboy (N. J. Archives, Vol. XXI., p. 217).

1693, James Fullerton, one of the Petit Jury at a court held at Middletown, Monmouth Co., 28th, 29th, June (Old Times in Old Monmouth, p. 255).

1695, "James Fullarton, plaintiff, Jeffrey Jones, defendant, in a suit in 'Ejectment for Lands,' held by plaintiff from the proprietors, which the defendant was in possession of deriving his right by Indian purchase and conveyance from Col. Richard Nichols, etc." (N. J. Archives, Vol. VII., p. 268). Is he the same as James Fullerton of Salem Co., or another?

1694, Oct. 16, Will of Robert Donne of Alloways Creek, Salem Co., leaves James Fullerton, schoolmaster at Salem, his Latin, Greek and French books (Vol. XXIII., p. 141).

1729-30, Jan. 22, Inventory of personal estate of James Fullerton, of Fairfield, Cohansey, Salem Co., merchant, Jan. 30.

1729-30, Bond of John Fullerton of Salem Co., as administrator. Josiah Brooks, fellow bondsman (p. 176).

1749, April 5, Will of James Fullerton of Somerset Co., N. J. Leaves five children, James, Mary, Elizabeth, Joan, John, all under age. No wife mentioned. Executors, Ephraim Lockhart and William Logan. Recorded June 19, 1749. (Liber E of Wills, p. 291, at Trenton, N. J.)

Caspar Steinmets and His Descendants.

BY P. H. HOFFMAN.

(Continued from last January Number.)

ABSTRACTS FROM COURT RECORDS REFERRING TO CASPAR STEINMETS.

1652. In suit of Caspar Steinmets vs. Jacob Burler. In Court Plaintiff received Judgment against Defendant (according to the Records of the Manhattan Courts, 1652.)

1653. In suit of Caspar Steinmets vs. Capt. Van Judike Verlath, in Manhattan Court, — Plaintiff demands a balance of 71 Libers according to the account of wages by his wife Jennetje (nee Gerritsen) from said defendant Capt. Verlath for services rendered on board ship from Amsterdam, Holland, to America. Defendant claims that 75 florin and 15 Libers in Wampum only is due; he also complains that she received goods to the amount of 128 Flo., including freight, so that a balance of only 39 Florins is due. The Burgomasters and Schepens decide that each must render copies of their accounts, and the wife of Steinmets must personally appear at the next Court, to be held March 10, 1653.

September 10th, 1653. — Court met; and the case of Steinmets vs. Capt. Verlath was again taken up.

The Burgomasters and Schepens find that the parties have not written agreements, and having carefully listened to the statements of both sides, decide that the services began when she went on board the ship at Amsterdam, Holland; and according to the confession of the plaintiff, the passage from Holland was to be deducted from the wages; and to settle the question of goods received, Jacob Cowenhoven and Pieter Cornelison Van-Der-Veer are hereby appointed to balance accounts. Signed Sept. 15, 1653.

Note:—Captain Verlatb owned and sailed a vessel named "Faith" and brought passengers and freight from Amsterdam, Holland, to New Amsterdam, America. Miss Jeannetje Gerritsen engaged passage and was to perform certain duties on board the vessel as part payment for the passage. After the arrival in New Amsterdam she went to live with her brother Gerrit Gerritsen at Ahasimus, in Bergen, N. J. She there became acquainted with her brother's intimate friend and business associate, Casparus Steynmets, who was also a native of Holiland, and apparently from the same part of the country as the Gerritsens. Steynmets was at this time a young widower, whose wife Dorothea Aertson had died leaving him a small child which had been presented for baptism in the "Old Dutch Church in New Amsterdam" July 14, 1650. The child was named "Caspar", for his father or some ancestor of that name. The friendly acquaintance of Steynmets and Jeannetje Gerritsen resulted in their marriage, March 31, 1652, as is found in the Old Dutch Church Records in New Amsterdam.

1653. Sept. 29. Caspar Steinmets, Plaintiff,
vs. Richard Bredienville, Defendant.

In case of arrest for 12 — fi — 10, which defendant hath agreed to pay to Plaintiff for Jan Bother, and to pay for him self. Defendant acknowledges the debt, and that he is security for Botsos; he is therefore condemned to pay or in default thereof to give security.

1654. Caspar Steinmets conveyed land to Pieter Jacobsen Beey, in New Amsterdam; took mortgage in return. (See Valentine Manual, p. 205.)

1655. Nov. 22. Caspar Steinmets, with 20 other residents of Bergen took the oath of allegiance to the Lords Proprietors of New Amsterdam.

1656. June 16, Caspar Steinmets, Plaintiff,
vs. Jan Hendriecks, Defendant.

Steinmets' brother-in-law served the defendant 9 weeks, and was treated very badly and harshly and was dismissed without payment. He asks that defendant may be compelled to furnish him with decent clothes. The court ordered it done and the boy released.

1657. April 22, Caspar Steinmets was made a Freeman and received the rights of a Burgher in New Amsterdam.

1657. Feb. 12, Caspar Steinmets, Plaintiff,
vs. Loedervicke Pos, Defendant.

Court ordered payment to be made at once, on Judgment rendered. This case was continued from Sept. 1653, to Dec. 31st of that year.

1658. In that year Steinmets received a deed for a house and lot, sold to Hendrick H. Kip, situated on the South side of Brewers Street in New Amsterdam. Price not given.

1658. Dec. 18, Gertie (Steymets) Hoppe, (daughter of Caspar Steinmets) and widow of Andries Hoppe, gives notice that her late husband appointed Cornelius Aertson and Lambert H. Moll, as guardians for her children (by her first husband.)

1659. Oct. 20. Caspar Steinmets sued Bartol Claerson for abusing and injuring a boy. Court ordered that the boy be released, and damages paid, and a fine imposed.

1659. Aug. 13, Caspar Steinmets, Plaintiff,
vs. Rutger Jensen, Defendant.

Defendant in default.

1659. Gertie (Steymets) Hendricks, widow of Andries Hoppe, deceased, wills to their 4 children, Catrina, Wilhelm, Hendrick, Matthias Adolphus, 200 Guilders each.

1660. Sept. 16, Caspar Steinmets, as Judge, heard the complaint of Tomas Verdon vs. Claves Petersen, in regard to the use of a canoe. Settlement advised and referred to a higher Court.

1661. Aug. 10, Caspar Steinmets vs. Deavoue Hermsden, Defendant, case of slander and injury. Court decides that Hermsden must pay to the support of the poor and costs for his misbehaviour. Case continued.

1661. Caspar Steinmets vs. Anthony DeWitt. Plaintiff sues for time and services which he rendered to Defendant at a place called Marion in Bergen. Court sustains him and orders payment.

1664. Caspar Steinmets received a Mortgage from Dirke

Gerritsen Van Tight on property situate in New Amsterdam. (See City Records, p. 84, Also Valentine's Manual, p. 84.)

1664. The second court of Bergen was established and consisted of the Schoutt and Scheppens. Tilman VanVleeck was appointed Schoutt until March 2, 1664. Balthazar Bayard and Claas Arentse Tours, Scheppens.

1665. Aug. 30, Caspar Steinmets was appointed Judge for Bergen Court by Gov. Carteret of New Jersey.

1666. June 12, Caspar Steinmets appeared in Court and obligated himself as security for Cornelius Aertson in the matter of purchasing a horse. (This Aertson was doubtless a brother to Steinmets' first wife.)

1666. October. Caspar Steinmets, Plaintiff, and the City Gov. of Bergen, Defendant. Plaintiff asks pay for the use of a building used for a school house which he had rented to the City. He was asked to wait awhile as there was no money in the Treasury.

1667. By the war between England and Holland the West India Company's farm was transferred in 1664 to English authorities. In March, 1667, Jacob Stoffelson and wife received a lease during the lifetime of the "longest liver" of the two. The wife survived Stoffelson, and in 1671 she married Caspar Steinmets (Steinmets' wife having died a few years previous). He obtained a lease in 1674 in right of his wife. A few years later, (in 1677) she died, and he obtained a lease in his own right in 1678, receiving a lease of the farm for his lifetime. Gov. Dougin of New York on Aug. 13, 1675, gave to John Palmer a lease for 99 years "of the reversion", from the feast of St. Michaels next ensuing after the determination of the estate of Caspar Steinmets. In 1686, Feb. 5, Steinmets' sons, John and Garret, bought the lease of Palmer, and after the death of their father they divided the farm, John taking the southerly one-half and Garrit the northerly half.

1668. May 12, Caspar Steinmets, Capt. Verlath and Douwe Hermansen conveyed Lot 22 to Council, sitting in Newark.

1668. Caspar Steinmets purchased 2 tracts of land and meadow of Gov. Carteret in the Town of Bergen.

1668. Oct. 12. Treintie (Jacobs) Wallinger (widow), applied to the Court for a Guardian of her six minor children of her late husband Walling. After the death of Walling she 1671 while she as a widow was still in possession of the 1671 while, she as a widower was still in possession of the West India Company's farm, she married Caspar Steinmets (widower). They occupied and cared for this West India Company's Farm until her death, on May 11, 1677. He then lived with his sons John and Garret until his death at an advanced age in 1702.

1668. In Gov. Carteret's time the Assembly of New Jersey consisted of the Governor with his Councillors, of 7 members who composed the Upper House and 10 Burghesses who composed the Lower House. In the General Assembly of that year Caspar Steinmets and Balthazar Bayard represented Bergen in the Upper House.

Steinmets sold to Eppa Banta over 200 acres of land on May 12, 1668. The land was resold the same day to Michealse Vreelandt.

1672. Caspar Steinmets served as juror in the Special term of court held at Elizabethtown and called by Gov. Philip Carteret.

1673. Sept. 4. At a meeting of the Commanders and Honorable Councilors, held at Fort William Henry, New Amsterdam, there were present, Jacob Benckes, Cornelius Evertsen, Jr., and Capt. Anthony Colve. The nomination of Officers for the Military Co. of the Town of Bergen was as follows : — Capt., Caspar Steinmets; Lieutenant, Hans Dederick; Ensign, Adrian Post. These officers were all elected. Petition was made at the same meeting by Ide VanVoorst and Claude Jensen, that Caspar Steinmets may not be allowed any more privileges than were allowed him under Gov. Stuyvesant's rule, and Government of New Amsterdam. (This related to the fencing in of some pasture land.) Ordered that the same be granted. It was signed,

Commissioners of the Council of war. (See Colonial His-

tory 99.—597 &c., Jacob Benckes, Cornelis Evertsen, Anthony Colve).

1673. May 20. Caspar Steinmets and wife Treintie (Walling — Jacobs — Stoffelson) forbidden to fence land at Harsimus leased to them by Gov. Nicholls.

1674. Aug. 18, The election of Schepens for the Town of Bergen was held and the following persons were elected. 1st. Schepen, Caspar Steinmets, — Assistants, Gerrit Gerritsen, Englebert Steenhuysen, Thomas Fredericks, Pieter Macellison, Walling Jacobs, Claes Jensen, Elias Michealse, Cornelis Abrahamsie, and Englebert Steenhuysen, Jr. Steinmets was elected presiding Judge and Herman Sweeman, Elias Michaelse, Ide VanVoorst, were associate judges, and Tyrnament VanVleecck, clerk.

1674. April 12. At a council in Fort William Henry in New Netherlands, present, Governor Colve, Councilman Steenvycke, Fiscal, Knysfe.

Caspar Steinmets presented a petition requesting that the lease entered into by his wife and her former husband (Stoffelson) with the English Government, whereby the Bowerie (farm) of the West India Company at Harsimus was granted and leased by them during their lives, may be confirmed. It was ordered that the petition be ordered and allowed, and the farm allowed and granted him in the premises.

1674. Dec. 1. Johannes Steinmets (son of Caspar) this day was married to Annetje (Jacobs) Van Winkle (widow).

1674. Jan. 30. Capt. Caspar Steinmets and Claude Arientie Schult were appointed Deputies from Bergen to the Council General of the Governor General at New Netherlands to provide War measures for the protection of the Dutch Colonies.

Caspar Steinmets owned a house and lot on Stone Street, New Amsterdam, situated between Whitehall and Broad Streets. Valued for taxation at \$1,000. (Steinmets was then classed as Dutch, Hollander.)

1677. May 12. Steinmets received a deed from Gov. Carteret of New Jersey for land in and about Bergen, as follows: 1 — 10 acres in the "New Maisland" between Dunne Herman-

sen and Hendricke DeBracken. 2 — 17½ acres of wood land and meadows next to Capt. Nicholas Verlath; 3 — 16 of wood-land; No. 4, Town lot next to Herman Edwartse; No. 5, One lot of Gerrit Gerritsen; No. 6, A town lot, 100 acres in all.

1677. Nov. 10. Steinmets received a deed from Gov. Carteret, in right of Trientie Walling his deceased wife (formerly widow of Jacob Stoffelson) six acres for a garden at Harsimus, situate west of Ide Corneliusius.

1685. Feb. 20. Caspar Steinmets gave bond for ten pounds, for rent of farm at Harsimus next to "King James West India Company farm."

1698. Christoffel Steinmets (son of Caspar) received a deed for land which he purchased at Acquackamonek from Garret Van Waganingen of Essex County, being for Lot 6, with half of the privileges belonging to the 14th part of the Commenges there.

1702. Caspar Steinmets died and was buried in the Old Burying Ground of the 1st Dutch Church of Bergen, as now appears by the Records of that Church still in existence (1908). The Records also show the dates of birth, marriages and deaths and burials of several other members of his family.

1709. Oct. 22. Christoffel Steinmets was made Executor of the Will of Abraham Bockee of Acquackanoneh, both of Hackensack, N. J.

Note:—In the Town of Winkel, North Holland, lived Jacob Walling. About 1647 he married Treintie Jacobs. They came to America and settled in Bergen; they had six children. After his death in 1657 she married one Jacob Stoffelson. And as the widow of Jacob Stoffelson, on March 15, 1671, she married Caspar Steinmets. He was her third husband; and she was his third wife. She died in 1677 and he died in 1702.

Caspar Steinmets.

The following offices and positions of trust were held by him : —

1633 to 1674. Appointed and served as Judge in the Court of Bergen.

1651. Was a soldier with Gov. Stuyvesant in Curacao; recommended by him to be Captain of a Military Co.

1654. Mar. 22. Took the oath of allegiance to the Lords Proprietors of New Amsterdam.

1657. April 22. Was made a Freeman, with the rights of a Burgher.

1660. Appointed Judge for Bergen.

1662. Oct. 16. Appointed as first Scheppen by the Lords Proprietors.

1665. Reappointed as Judge by Gov. Carteret in New Jersey.

1671. Took position of Overseer of the West India Company's Farm of 385 acres.

1672. Served as juror in Elizabethtown, N. J.

1673. Sept. 4th. Delegate in Council of War held at New Amsterdam.

1674. Elected First Judge.

1674. Made Deputy from Bergen to General Assembly of New Jersey in the 1st and 2nd sessions.

1675. Reappointed Associate Judge.

1675. Meeting of Committee of Members and Commanders of Public Officers of Council held at Fort William Henry, New Amsterdam.

1678. Also mentioned as Commissioner in Colonial Records.

1678. Capt. of Military Co. assisted by Capt. Verlath.

Family Genealogy of Caspar Steinmets.

Steinmets was born in Holland, tradition says in the city of Zutphen, in the Province of Overijssel. Tradition says also he came to this country in a trading vessel with his two brothers in the year 1631. The brothers were traders and on one trip to America Caspar decided to remain here and seek his fortune; but the brothers returned to Holland.

The first record of Casparus' presence here was at the baptism of a child of Michael Misner, in 1648. The records of the Old Dutch Church show that Steinmets and Roelef Cornelison and Gerrit Gerritsen were witnesses or Sponsors. Two years later, July 14, 1650, he came with his wife Dorothea Aertson, to have their child baptized.

Caspar Steynmets and Dorothea, his wife, (1st wife) had son Caspar, baptized July 14, 1650, died 1673, aged 21 years..

Dorothea died shortly after the birth of Caspar.

Caspar Steinmets (widower) married Jeannetje Gerritsen, March 31, 1652. She died January 12, 1669. By this wife there were nine children, viz., —

(1) Johannes, — Born Oct. 5, 1653. Married Dec. 1, 1674, to Annetje (Jacobs) Van Winkle. No living children. He died 1708. He was magistrate in Bergen, 1686—7 and owned 35 acres of land on Harsimus Creek, which he willed at his death to his sister Joanna Prior and her children.

(2) Altje, — Born Jan. 25, 1655, Married Sept. 1673, to ———, married again Sept. 1679, to John J. Rider. Children : Casparus, born Nov. 1, 1682; Jeannetje, born July 29, 1686.

(3) Gerrit, — born Aug. 27, 1656. Died Nov. 1736. Married (1st) Vrontje Claes, March 10, 1685. (2nd) Catrina (Gerrits) Post, widow of Adrian Post, July, 1691.

Gerit's children, — Jeannetje, born 1685, Anna, born 1686; Annetje, born 1688; Ariantie, born 1691; Caspar, born 1695; Hermanes, born 1696; married 1726, to Elsjee Herrmann, children, Margareta, Gerrit, Annetje, Catherine. Helena, born 1698.

(4) Annetjes, — Born Oct. 20, 1658. Married Sept. 21, 1679, to Tadeas Magelse. Children, Jeannetje, born 1682; Jennekie, born 1697.

Married March, 1709, Johannes (Hiborn) Hyer.) children, Vrontje, 1712; Walter, 1714; Gertrude, 1716; Catherine, 1718.

(5) Christoffel, born Dec. 18, 1660, married Oct. 6, 1684, to Jeannetje Gerrits, their children, — Casparus, born Oct. 11, 1686; Annetje, born Oct. 1, 1688; Jeannetje, born March 15, 1691; Gerrit, born Oct. 1692; Judith, born 1694; Benjamin, ancestor of the Hoffman, born 1696.

Married 1699, Sarah Ann Vannest, (2nd wife) — their children, Elizabeth, born 1700; Joanna, born 1707.

Ancestors of Mrs. C. Walsh, Armenia, N. Y. Casparus (son of Christoffel) married Rachel (Pieter) Powlse; Annetje

married Jacob VanNoostrand, Sept. 1715; Jeannete married Caspar VanNoostrand, Oct. 22, 1720; Judith, married Herman VanRiper, 1721; Elizabeth, married Jurrie VanRiper, Nov. 1730.

Benjamin, married 1st. Sarah VanStee; 2nd. Sara Emans, 1720 (Ancestors of P. H. Hoffman). Joanna, married 1st, — 2nd, Claeson Garrabrant, 1731.

(6) Caspar, born Sept. 5, 1663, died 1683, age 20 yrs. Buried in Bergen Dutch Church yard, Jersey City, N. J.

(7) Orsolena, born March 14, 1665, died 1731. Married Roelof Lubbertse Westervelt (of Meppel, Holland) 1688. Children, Jennetje, born March 28, 1689; Kasparus, born July 1, 1694, (ancestor of Mrs. Quackenbush of South Orange); Johannes, born July 11, 1696; Arientie, born Aug. 1699. Line of descent to Mrs. B. E. Quackenbush. Maritie, born March, 1705; Annatie, born October 5, 1707.

Kasparus, son of Orsolena and Roelof L. Westervelt, born July 19, 1694, married Nealtie Bougart, May 7, 1715, and their son

Alfred Hathaway Lorton, Sarah Howell Mulford.	{	Benjamin Westervelt, born Dec. 3, 1727, married Elsie Earl, Aug. 8, 1751, and their son Kasparus Westervelt, born Sept. 15, 1752, married Nancy Campbell, Sept. 16, 1772, and their daughter Sarah B., married Lewis Lorton, and their daughter (born Nov. 29, 1855) Minnie B., married Benjamin E. Quacken- bush, Apr. 18, 1878, and their daughter Eveline, born May 10, 1880, married Ed- ward VanDyke, June 10, 1902, their children, Lorton, born Apr. 6, 1904; Elizabeth, born Oct. 24, 1906.
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(8) Joanna, born Dec. 29, 1667, married Andreas Preyer (Prior), 1688; (2nd) married G. VanNoostrand, 1699.

(9) Benjamin, born January 16, 1670. Nothing can be learned of his family; he probably died young.

The Westervelts.

(Historical), — The Westervelts, (or Von Westervelts) came from the province of Overijssel, Holland, one mile east of the Zuider Zee in the Town of Meppel. Near Meppel lived William and Lubbertson, two sturdy farmers and cattle raisers. In April, 1662, they sailed for New Amsterdam, America, — Lubbertson with a wife and six children and William with a wife and four children. They arrived on April 30, 1662, on the Dutch West India Ship "Faith".

William settled in New Utrecht, L. I., and Lubbert with his wife, Jessie Roelofs VanHouten, settled at Flatbush, L. I. Lubberts prospered as a large farmer, owning slaves and much land. At his death his sons, Rupper, Roelef and John went to Bergen, N. J. John married Magdalena VanBlarcom and Roelef married Oroselena Steinmets (daughter of Caspar Steinmets). They bought land of the Indians at Highwood and Wresskill. Their children intermarried with the Demarests, Noages, Blauvelts and others. Their descendants are still quite numerous in Bergen County.

(Line of Ancestry from Caspar Steinmets to Mrs. Georgina Walsh of Amenias, N. Y.)

Caspar Steinmets, the immigrant, through his son

Christoffel, born Dec. 18, 1660, and his grandson

Casparus, born Oct. 11, 1686, and his great-grandson

Jacob, born Aug. 14, 1721, to Mrs. Georgina (Thompson) Walsh, of Amenias, N. Y., 1910.

Caspar Steinmets, born in Holland, about 1620, 1st wife, Dorothea Aertson, date and place of her birth unknown; she died 1650 or 1651. 2nd wife, Jeannetje Gerritsen, born in Zutphen, Holland, 1630, died in Bergen, N. J., about 1670.

Christoffel Steinmets (son of Caspar and Jeannetje) born Dec. 19, 1660, married Jeannetje Gerrits in 1684. 2nd, Sarah Ann Vannest, in 1699.

Casparus Steinmets (son of Christoffel and Joannetje) born Oct. 1686, married 1st. Rachel (Pieters) Powlse, June 6, 1713; their son Jacob, born Aug. 14, 1720. 2nd, Maritje

Hendricksen, their children, Abraham, born 1724; Benjamin, born 1727; Catharine, born 1728; Isaac, born 1731; Gerrit, born Nov. 24, 1733.

Jacob Steinmets (son of Casparus and Rachel) married Mary Dean (Dey) their children, — Isaac, born March 19, 1755; Rachel, born Nov. 17, 1756; Isaac, born Apr. 4, 1759; Maria, born Sept. 3, 1760; Margaret, born Sept. 15, 1767.

(2) Amey Steinmets (daughter of Jacob and Mary) married Samuel Brown, who was born in England, 1758, died 1846.

(3) Jacob Steinmets Brown (son of Amey and Samuel).

(4) Mary T. Brown (daughter of Jacob Steinmets Brown) married George Thompson.

(5) Georgia Thompson (daughter of Mary and George) married Charles Walsh. They are now living at Amenia, N. Y. (1910) 1916.

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Tombstone Inscriptions.

OLD BURIAL GROUND, ENGLEWOOD, BERGEN CO.,
LOCATED ON THE VAN BRUNT PLACE, (NORD-
HOFF,) EAST SIDE OF GRANT AVE.,
BELOW LINDEN AVE.

Copied May 5, 1912, by John Neafie, N. Y. City.

1 Polly, Daughter of John and Mary Benson, died November 10th 1802, aged 21 years, 19 days.

2. Eve Bard, wife of Samuel Counover, died May—A. D. 1816, aged 83 years and 22 days, born April 13—1733. (broken).

3. Peter Cownover, born Sept. 1—1776, died May 28—1807, aged 30 years, 8 months and 28 days.

4. J. H. B., a large brown stone with the top broken off, containing the rest of the inscription.

5. A small brown stone without marks.

Revolutionary Pension Records of Morris County.

About a year ago there was rescued from rubbish in Morristown a manuscript account book without covers which was found to contain court records of certificates presented by petitioners for pensions based upon Revolutionary War services. Most of the petitioners were widows of soldiers, but some were disabled veterans. The certificates usually were written by officers under whom the soldier had served, and in most cases several written by different persons, were offered to the court. The decision of the court follows each case. The dates run from 1779 to 1795.

The manuscript book in spots is fast becoming illegible, some acid or other liquid having soaked through the pages and caused decay. Through the possession of a good copy we are able to print the records. They will be found not only historically interesting because of the many people, battles, localities and incidents mentioned, but useful genealogically especially to patriotic societies because of the clear evidence of loyal service on the part of the soldiers concerned. One of the certificates additionally is certified by Washington. The last petition is that of Theodosia Ford, widow of Colonel Jacob Ford, Jr., once owner of the Ford mansion, later occupied by Washington, and still existant as Washington's Headquarters at Morristown. Interesting facts in Ford's career are set forth in the certificates recorded.

The thirty-nine petitions will be printed in instalments continuing through the present volume of the Proceedings. At the head of each petition, or group of certificates, will be given the name of the petitioner.

ELIZABETH HORTON.

Morris County September Term 1779.

A Certificate was presented to the Court in the words following :

“New Windsor 21 September 1779. This is to Certify that Doctor Isaac Spafford Surgeon of the Artillery under my Command had the charge of the Sick and other parts of the army at Mendham near Morristown in New jersey in the beginning of the year 1777 the Sick being so numerous as to require More assistance Doctor Spafford was authorized by the Surgeon Genl. and Myself to appoint Doctor Jonothan Horton as his Assistant at the rate of one Dollar and two thirds pr Day, the said Doctor Horton officiated in said capacity and died in the Service of the united States.

Signed “H. Knox Brig. Genl. Artillery”.

Also a certificate in the words following :

“New Windsor 21 September 1779. This is to certify that Doctor Isaac Spafford Surgeon to the Artillery in the begining of 1777 was fully authorized by me the subscriber Surgeon General of the Army to appoint Doctor Jonathan Horton as his assistant at the rate of one Dollar and two thirds pr Day to take care of the Sick who were then too numerous for one Surgeon to attend and that the Said Doctor Jonathan Horton died whilst in the Service of the united States.

Signed “John Cochran Surgn. Genl. to ye army”.

And also a Certificate in the words following

“We the Subscribers two of the justices of the State of New jersey assigned to keep the peace in the County of Morris do hereby certify that Elizabeth Horton Widow was the Lawful Wife of Doctor Jonathan Horton who died in the service of the united States of America, as witness our hands at Morris Town in the said county of Morris the twenty ninth day of September 1779.

Signed.....

“Elijah Horton

“Constant King”.

An affidavit of Frederick King and also an affidavit of C. Victor King Respecting the appointment of the Said Jonathan Horton as assistant Surgeon in the Service of the united States and his dying in the Service on the 24th day of May 1777, were presented to the Court.

And after Examining the Said certificates and affidavits The Court adjudged that the said Elizabeth Horton widow of the said Jonathan Horton Deceased is by the Law of this State in such case made and provided, entitled to Receive during her widowhood

the Monthly half pay of her Husband the said Jonathan Horton Deceased.

HANNAH MORRIS.

Deer. Term 1779 in favor of the Widw. Hannah Morris.

A Certificate was presented to the Court in the words following : "I hereby certify that Major Joseph Morris, of the Troops of the State of Newjersey, who was appointed Major in the light corps commanded by Coll. Morgan was wounded in the Head, in an action with the Enemy about the 6th December 1778, at Edgehill in the State of Pennsylvania and that he Died in consequence sometime after. I acted as Lieut. Coll. in the corps with him at the time, and am certain of the fact.

"Richd. Butler Coll.

"9th. Pensa. Regt."

Maj'r Morris a brave & Meritorious officer was wounded and Died as certified above

"G. Washington."

Morris County December Term 1779

In favour of the Widdow Hannah Morris.

A certificate was presented to the Court in the words following : "I the underwritten, Surgeon of the third Newjersey Regiment of foot, in the Service of the United States of America, do hereby certify, that Joseph Morris Esqr who was Major of the first Newjersey Regiment of foot under the Command of Coll. Ogden, was while he occupied the said Station, wounded in an engagement with the Enemy at white Marsh in the State of Pennsylvania sometime in the month of December 1777, that I the underwritten attended the said Major Morris so as aforesaid wounded as a Surgeon until his death which was occasioned by the wound he received in the above engagement. In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand this twentyninth Day of September Anno Domini 1779.

"To all whom it
May concern }

"Lews. Dunham."

And also the following certificate

"We the underwritten, two of the Justices of the State of Newjersey assigned to keep the peace in the county of Morris, do hereby certify, that Hannah Morris, Gentle Woman was in our Belief the Lawful Wife of Joseph Morris Esqr. late Major of the first Newjersey Regiment of Foot commanded by Coll. Ogden, and that the Said Hannah Morris is the real widdow of the aforesaid Major Joseph Morris Deceased, Given under our hands at Morris Town in the Said County of Morris this twentyninth Day of September AndO 1779.

"To all whom it } "Benjn. Hallsey }
 May concern } "Benjn. Lindsly } Justices."
 & also the following

"These may certify that Major Joseph Morris was a Member of my Parish, that on April 12, 1759, I joined him & Mrs. Hannah Ford in the Holy Banns of Marriage & they lived together in friendship till the unhappy battle of white Marsh where the Major Received his fatal wound gallently fighting in his countries cause, but Survived till he was brought to his afflicted consort but on Jany. 7, 1778 he expired, & the next Day was Buried with the Honors of War.

"Test Timy Johnes Pastor of the Church

"after Examining the above certificates the court were of opinion that the Said Widw. Morris is Intitled to half pay.

"Morris Town,

"Feb. 21y. 1781."

JOSIAH BURNET.

Morris County, December Term 1779.

A Certificate was presented to the Court in words following, Viz : "This May certify that Ensign Josiah Burnet was wounded in the Leg at an action near Second River in September 1777 by which wound he was Rendered unfit for Service.

"Morris Town }

"Decemr. 21st 1779 }

"Silvs Seely Coll."

The court having Examined the above Certificate were of opinion that the Said Josiah Burnet is entitled to Receive his half pay and that he is fit for gard or garison Duty.

MARTHA HATHAWAY.

March Term 1780 a certificate was presented to the Court in the words, & figures following Viz :

"Hardistown Sussex County the 10th March 1780

"This is to certify that Shadraek Hathaway Inlisted with Me during the war the 23 day of November in the year 1776 in the fourth Jersey Regt. Commanded by Coll. Ephraim Martin and Served as a Serjent in Said Regt. untill the 4th. day of October in the year 1777 and then was wounded in the Battle of German-town and died in four days after.

"Noadiah Waid Capt."

and also the following affidavit

Morris County ss. Ezekiel Parkhurst personally appeared before Me this day and made oath that he was present when the Revd.

Mr. Pepper Married Martha Hathaway to the within Mentioned Shadrach Hathaway and that the Said Martha is now the widow of the above Shadrach Hathaway. Sworn before and further Saith not March 18 1780.
Benjn. Hallsey, J. P. Ezekiel Parkhurst.

The court having examined the foregoing certificate and affidavit adjudged that the Said Martha Hathaway is entitled to Receive the half pay of her Said Husband quarterly during her widowhood.

LOUIS FISHER.

July Term 1780

Louis Fisher presented to the Court a certificate in the words and Figures following Viz : "I certify that John Fisher the Husband of Louis Fisher was an inlisted Soldier in late Captain Ratersons Company of the third Jersey Regiment and that said John Fisher lost his life in the Service of America some day in June 1778 at the time of the Enemy's Marching from Philadelphia to New York through Newjersey.

"F. Barber L. Coll. Comy."

"Pompton }
"June 29 1780 }

"I do hereby Certify that on the 24th day of December 1777 I Married Louis Duryee to John Fisher, now deceased. Witness My hand Matts. Burnet Jus. Hanover July 1780."

"We the Subscribers do hereby certify that Louis Fisher, to the best of our knowledge and belief was the Lawful wife of John Fisher who was killed in the Service in June 1778, and the said Louis is the Real widow of the said John Fisher. Witness our hands, this 4th. day of July 1780.

"Morris Town.

"Benj'n Hallsey }
"Benn. Lindsly } Justices."

The court having examined the foregoing certificates adjudge that the Said Louis Fisher is entitled to Receive the half pay of her late Husband John Fisher Deceased Quarterly from the 28th day of June 1778 during her Widdowhood.

PHEBE SALTER.

March Term 1781

Phebe Salter produced to the Court a certificate in the words and figures following, viz :

"Mendham 17th March 1781 These do certify that Benjamin

Salter a Militia Soldier was called out to oppose the Enemy on the fifth day of September 1777 and was in the battle at Second river on the 6th of the Same Month under My command when he received a wound in his Body from the Enemy of which he died the next day.

“Wm. Winds
then Brigadier Genl.”

and also an affidavit in the words and figures following viz.

“Newjersey Morris county ss.

“Personally appeared before Me Abraham Kitchel one of the Justices of the peace for Said County, John Salter who being duly sworn Saith that he Saw Benjamin Salter Married to Phebe Merit by the Revd. Mr. John Walton which Said Benjamin Salter was wounded in an action with the Enemy at Second river Some time in September in the year 1777 of which wound he died the day following and the Said Phebe is now the widow of him the Said Benjamin Salter dec., and further this Deponent Saith not.

“Sworn before me this 21t. day of March 1781.

“Abrm. Kitchel.”

The Court having taken the Same into consideration are of opinion that the Said Widow Phebe Salter is entitled to the half pay of her Deceased Husband and that a Certificate do Issue accordingly.

RACHEL SHORES.

Sept. Term 1781

A certificate from William Winds was presented to the court in favour of the Widdow Rachel Shores in the words and figures following, viz :

“Mendham 10th September 1787 to all whom it may concern these are to certify that Pelick Shores was a Soldier in Capt. Mekers Company in the years Service in the Continental army in my Regiment and died at fort-george the fourth of August 1776.

“William Winds
“then Colonel.”

and also the following deposition

“Morris County State of Newjersey personally appd. before me Stephen Day one of the Justices of the peace of sd. County Benjamin Day Esqr. and being duly Sworn deposeth and Saith that the Widow Rachel Freeman was Lawfully married by him to Pelig Shores and that she still remains his Widow.

Benjamin Day.

“Sworn before me to the above

“Stephen Day.”

The Court having examined the Said certificate and deposition adjudge that the Said Rachel Shores is intitled to draw the half pay of her late Husband Pelig Shores deceased from the fourth day of August 1776 during her Widowhood agreeably to a Resolution of Congress and a Law of this State in Such case made and provided and that a certificate be made out accordingly.

RACHEL CORY.

September Term 1781.

Rachel Cory late the Widow of Capt. Archibald Dallas produced a certificate in the words and figures following, viz.

This may certify Captain Archibald Dallas was a Captain in My Regiment and Served as a good and brave officer untill he fell which was in a skirmish with the enemy near Christian bridge in Delaware State in Sept. 5, 1777.

Mendham May 12, 1781

Oliver Spence Coll.

and also the following Deposition

The Deposition of Samuel Frost taken on oath before Me one of the Justices of the peace for the County of Morris deposeth and Saith that in the year 1772 he the Said Deponant Saw Rachel Frost Married to Archibald Dallas and Since Said Dallas's decease She the Said Wife hath Married to David Cory Senr. of Persippany:

Sworn before Me this 6th day of July 1781

Benj'n. Howell

and also the following certificate

This May certify the General Assembly that David Cory was Joined in the Holy bands of Marriage to Rachel Dallas the Widow of Archibald Dallas Deceased and pronounced before Witnesses lawful Man and wife the 28 of January 1779 by Me

Joseph Grover

Sept. 11 1781

Presbyterian Minister

and also the following Deposition

The deposition of Sarah Frost taken on oath this 20th day of Sept. 1781 before Me one of the Justices of the peace for the county of Morris is as follows viz. which Deponant Saith that on the 22d day of Sept 1777 She the Said Deponant delivered Rachel Dallas the Wife of Archibald Dallas of her Son Archibald Dallas and further Saith not. Sarah Frost taken and Sworn before on the day above written.

Benj'n Howell.

Whereupon the court adjudged that Rachel Cory late Widow of Archibald Dallas is entitled to the half pay of her late husband Capt. Archibald Dallas Deceased from the 5th. day of Sept. 1777,

to the 28th. day of January 1779 and that her Son Archibald Dallas or his Legal representative is entitled to draw the half pay of his Father Archibald Dallas from the said 28th. day of January 1779, untill he arrives at the age of eight years if he lives untill that time which will terminate on the 22d. day of Sept. 1785.

JEMIMA GORDEN.

Morris County Ss : At a Court of General Quarter Sessions of the peace in and for the County of Morris on the nineteenth day of December Anno Domini, one thousand Seven hundred & Eighty one
Present

David Thompson Benjn. Halsey John Stiles & Will Woodhull
Esqrs., Justices.

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Jemima Gorden widow of William Gorden, deed. late a Captain in the 3rd. regt. of the Troops of this State of Newjersey in the Service of the United States for a Certificate to entitle her to a Warrant for the halfpay of her late Husband and Certificates were presented to the Court in the words & figures following — to wit

1st. I Certify that Captain William Gorden who Died about April 1777 was at the time of his Death a Captain in the Third Jersey Regiment.

Morris Town
December 9th. 1781.

F. Barber
Lieutt. Coll.

& also the following Certificate

2nd. New Jersey Morris County — We whose names are hereunto Subscribed being Justices of the peace in Said County do Certify that Jemima Gorden was Wife of Captain William Gorden & that they lived together in Honour and Reputation Several Years before his Decease in this Township & that the above said Jemima is now the Widow of him the said William Gorden who died while in the Continental Service as Witness our hands in Pequanoek Township September the Twenty fourth 1781.

Abrm. Kitchel
William Ross.

The Court having considered the Same, are of opinion that the Said Jemima Gorden is entitled to the half pay of her late Husband Captain William Gordon from the Thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Seven during her Widowhood and that a Certificate be made out accordingly

ELIZABETH MILLER.

Morris County ss. : At a Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace held at Morris Town in and for sd. County of Morris on the nineteenth day of December Anno domini one thousand Seven hundred & eighty one.

Present

David Thompson Benn. Halsey Jonn. Stiles John Brookfield William Woodhull & Seth Babbet Esquires Justices.

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Elizabeth Miller Widow of Daniel Miller deed. late a Soldier in Coll. Winds Regt. of the Troops of this State of New Jersey in Service of the United States at Lake George, &c. & a Certificate was presented to the Court in the words & figures following, to wit.

Mendom 19th. December 1781. These may certify that Daniel Miller was a Soldier in the Years Service in 1776 in my Regiment and deceased the first of August 1776 at Lake George according to Returns made to me by Captain Silas Howell in whose company he was a soldier.

Wil. Winds then Colonel.

also the following Affidavit Viz.

Morris County December 19th. 1781. Personally appeared be for me Stephen Day one of the Justices of the peace in said County Stephen Bowers and wife & being duely sworn Say they saw Daniel Miller (Deed.) Married to Elizabeth Bowers in November 1771 and She still remains his Widow and farther Saith not ..

Steph Bower

Phebe Bower

Sworn before me the day and date above

Stephen Day Justice

The Court having considered the said Certificate & affidavit, are of opinion that the said Elizabeth Miller is intitled to the half pay of her late Husband Daniel Miller from the first day of August one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Six during her Widowhood & that a Certificate be made out Accordingly.

ABIGAIL CARMAN.

At the above mentioned Court of Quarter Sessions

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Abigail Carman Widow of Moses Carman deed. for Certificates to entitle her to a Warrant for the half pay of her late Husband — And the following Vouchers were presented to the Court in the words & figures following, to wit.

This may Certify that Moses Carman was a Soldier in my Regiment in the Contl. Service and died at Valley Forge the beginning of 1778 (I believe in the month of February) having Served whilst he lived as a good & faithfull Soldier.

Mendham Dec. 15th. 1781.

Oliver Spencer

Also a Certificate in the words & figures following Viz. This may Certify that Moses Carman was a Soldier of Coll. Spencers Regiment in the Continental Service & that he died at Valey Forge the beginning of the Year 1778.

Morris Town Decr. 18th. 1781.

Jabez Campfield

Surgeon to Said Regiment

Also an Affidavit in the words & figures following October 15th. 1781. This Day personally appeared before me Benj. Lindsly one of the Justices of the peace for the County of Morris, David Bates & made oath upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he Saw Moses Carman Married to Abigail Dean which Abigail is now the Widow of Moses Carman.

Sworn before me this fifteenth day of Octr. 1781 Benjn. Lindsley.

The Court having considered the Same are of opinion that the Said Abigail Carman is entitled to the half pay of her late Husband Moses Carman from the 28th. day of February anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight during her Widowhood & that a Certificate be made out accordingly.

DEBORAH MINTHORN.

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions held at Morris Town in and for the County of Morris on the Third Tuesday of March Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred & Eighty Two

Present

David Thompson & Benjamin Halsey Esqr. Judges.

Benn. Lindsly John Brookfield Jonn. Stiles Steph Day William Woodhull Joseph Wood Ab. Kitchel & ——— Minthorn Esqrs. Justs.

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Deborah Widow of Wil Minthorn

Minthorn late a Soldier of Capt. Holmes Co. of 1st. Jer. Regt. in Service of the United States

A Certificate was presented to the Court in the words & figures following viz.

I Certify that William Minthorn a Soldier of my Company enlisted to Serve during the War died of the wounds he received before York in Virginia on the 2nd. day of November one thousand Seven hundred & Eighty one

Given at Camp near Morris Town Feby. 20th. 1782

Sign'd Jno. Homes Capt.

also an Affidavit in the words & figures following first N. Jersey Regt.

Mendham Morris County. Personally appeared before me Sether Babbit one of the Justices for the Said County Parmenas Dodd and being duly Sworn deposeth & Saith that about Eleven Years

ago he was personally present and Saw William Minthorn Married to Deborah Dod & that She is now his widow March 18th. 1782.....

Signd

Seth Babbit

Parmenus Dod

The Court having considered the Said Certificate & Affidavit are of opinion that She the Said Deborah Minthorn is entitled to the half pay of her late husband William Minthorn from the Second day of November one thousand Seven hundred & Eighty one during her Widowhood and that a Certificate be made out accordingly.

ABIGAIL MINTHORN.

At a Court of General Quarter Sestions held at Morris Town in and for the County of Morris on the Third Tuesday of March anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred & Eighty Two.

Present

David Thompson & Benjamin Halsey Esqrs. Judges.

Benjn. Lindsly John Brookfield Jonn. Stiles Steph. Day William Wodhull Joseph Wood & Abr. Kitchel Esqrs. Justices

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Abigail Minthorn widow of William Minthorn late a Serjeant of the 1st. N. Jersey Regt. in Service of the United States.

A Certificate was presented to the Court in the words & figures following Viz.

I hereby Certify that Phillip Minthorn died the 23rd Decem-ber 1780 a Serjeant in the first J. Reg. enlisted for the War

(Signed)

March 13th. 1782

M. Ogden Col.

An Affidavit was also presented to the Court in the words & figures following Viz.

This may Certify that George Minthorn personally appeared before me John Brookfield and being duly Sworn deposeth & Saith that he Saw Phillip Minthorn Lawfully married to Abigail Minthorn now the Widow of the said Philip Minthorn.

(Sign'd)

Taken & Sworn before me
the 21st. day of March 1782
(Sign'd) John Brookfield

George Minthorn

The Court having considered the Said Certificate and Affidavit are of Opinion that She the Said Abigail Minthorn is entitled to the half pay of her late Husband a Serjeant Wilm. Minthorn from the Twenty third day of December one thousand Seven hundred & Eighty during her widow and that a Certificate be made out accordingly.

(To be Continued in July Number.)

Book Notice.

Memorial Cyclopedia of New Jersey, Under the Editorial Supervision of Mary Depue Ogden. Published by the Memorial History Company, Newark, New Jersey, 1915. quarto, two volumes, pp. 412 with index in each volume.

This work will prove of great value to New Jersey biography and history. It gathers together sketches of men of the past whose histories otherwise might be lost in the general mass of newspaper, pamphlet, magazine and manuscript material scattered about. Also it brings out of obscurity many persons whose lives are full of interest to historians, antiquarians and genealogists. Only through such a business enterprise could such an object be attained, and with the issuing of succeeding volumes the field, it is understood, will be developed even more extensively.

The plan provides for a succession of volumes giving the biographies of Jerseymen who have passed away after life work deserving memorialization. The editor's foreword reveals the wide field of biographical effort in view.

"Every age in the state's history, from the earliest times, bears many shining names. Even when New Jersey was a practically unknown wilderness, from the Hudson to the Delaware, there were Indian chieftains of remarkable attainments, including old Oraton, famed throughout the region for his wisdom and uprightness."

Among the persons whose careers are sketched are to be found many who never before have been noticed in general works, and many whose annals have been heretofore discovered only after the most patient research. New Jersey's first Governor, Philip Carteret, whose biography occupies the first pages, while generally known to readers of state history, has not been previously included in general works, to any marked degree. David Young, the New Jersey almanac-maker and astronomer, is one among many who come in for their first extended recognition.

Among the most modern of those noticed is Rev. Hannibal Goodwin, the inventor of the photographic film, who was for a long time a resident of Newark. The record of his interesting career is, through this publication, made available. There is an extended biography of Jonathan W. Roberts of Morris Plains, long the president of the Washington Association of New Jersey, and of the New Jersey Historical Society. There are included many Newarkers, whose careers previously have not been searched out.

The editor, Mrs. Ogden, is a member and a former President of the Woman's Branch of the New Jersey Historical Society.

Necrology.

WILLIAM LEETE STONE, a well known historian and editor, died at Mont Vernon, N. J., on June 11, 1908, at the age of seventy-three years. He was a descendant of William Leete, a Colonial Governor of Connecticut. His father was editor of the New York Commercial Advertiser from 1822 until the time of his death in 1844, and his grand-uncle was the Rev. Francis Wayland, a president of Brown University. Mr. Stone graduated from Brown University in 1858, and, after some time spent in Germany in translating historic journals, he attended the Albany Law School and practiced in Saratoga until 1863. In 1859 he married Miss Harriet D. Gillette, of Cleveland. In 1869 he returned to his birthplace, New York City, and was editor of the Journal of Commerce for several years. He was the author of numerous historical works pertaining to Revolutionary days. He was survived by his widow and four children : William M. Stone, Arthur Douglas Stone, Francis Wayland Stone and Miss Susanne M. Stone. He was elected a corresponding member of this Society in 1899.

DR. CHARLES S. STOCKTON, at the time of his death the dean of the dental profession in New Jersey, died on September 9, 1912. He was born in Springfield township, Burlington County, on December 17, 1836, the son of Stacy and Elizabeth (Rossell) Stockton. He attended Pennington Seminary and at the time of his graduation was valedictorian of his class. He studied dentistry with Dr. George C. Brown, at Mt. Holly, and in the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, graduating from this institution in 1868. He succeeded Dr. Brown in Mt. Holly ; in 1873 he removed to Newark, where he remained up to the time of his death. He was a descendant of Richard Stockton, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. On September 23, 1857, he married Miss

Martha Ann Smith, and she survived him with two children : Dr. Frank O. Stockton and Mrs. Robert W. Elliot. He was elected a life member of this society on January 20, 1876.

RUTHERFORD STUYVESANT, died in Paris on July 4, 1909. His real name was Stuyvesant Rutherford and among his ancestors were Governor Peter Stuyvesant; Governor John Winthrop, of Massachusetts; Governor Dudley, of Connecticut; Lewis Morris, Chief Justice of New York and first Governor of New Jersey. His father was Lewis Morris Rutherford and his mother was Margaret Stuyvesant Chanler. By the will of his mother's great-uncle, Peter Gerard Stuyvesant's property was left to him upon the condition of his changing his family name to Stuyvesant, which was done by an act of the Legislature. In 1863 he graduated from Columbia College and in the same year he married Mary Rutherford Pierrepont, daughter of Henry Evelyn Pierrepont and Anna Maria Jay. Mrs. Stuyvesant died in 1879. On June 16, 1902, he married in London the Countess Mathilde E. de Wassanaer, the widow of a Dutch nobleman. A son was born of this marriage. Mr. Stuyvesant, who was sixty-nine years of age at the time of his death, was a brother of Winthrop Rutherford, who married Alice Morton, and of Mrs. Henry White, at that time American Ambassador in France. He was a cousin on his mother's side of William Astor Chanler and Mrs. Richard Aldrich. He was the owner of Tranquility Farms, near Tranquility, N. J., famous for its elk and deer park and extensive English pheasant preserves. He was elected a life member of this Society on May 19, 1870.

AARON PECK CONDIT, who became a contributing member of this Society on May 5, 1899, died on February 11, 1912, at Madison, N. J., aged seventy-two years.

WILLIAM HORACE CORBIN, for many years one of the most prominent members of the New Jersey bar, died in Sullivan county, N. Y., on September 15, 1912. He was born in the town of McDonough, Chenango county, N. Y., on July 12,

1851. While at the academy at Oxford, N. Y., he secured a scholarship in Cornell University and after graduating from this institution studied law in Columbia College, New York City. In 1870 he took up his residence in Elizabeth, N. J., and was a resident there at the time of his death. He was a member of the Elizabeth Board of Education, of the Elizabeth City Council and of the New Jersey Assembly. His law office was in Jersey City and he was prominently identified with many financial institutions in that city, including the New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Company, the First National Bank, the Pavonia Trust Company and the Dixon Crucible Company. He was survived by a widow, two sons and a daughter. He was elected a contributing member of this Society on January 27, 1891.

REV. DR. ELIJAH RICHARDSON CRAVEN, died in Philadelphia on January 5, 1908. He was born in Washington, D. C., on March 28, 1824, and graduated from Princeton University when eighteen years of age. He took up the study of law but not finding himself adapted to that profession returned to Princeton in 1849, and entered the theological seminary. For some time he was pastor of the Second Presbyterian church of Somerville, N. J., and for thirty-three years pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church of Newark. He resigned this pastorate in 1888 to accept the position of secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Publications and Sabbath-school Work, with headquarters in Philadelphia, later becoming secretary emeritus. For forty-five years he was a trustee of Princeton University and at one time moderator of the General Assembly. He was twice married. His first wife was a great-granddaughter of Commodore Tingey, and his second wife a daughter of Van Ransselaer Moore, of New York, and grand-daughter of Bishop Moore, of Virginia. He was survived by two sons and two daughters : Commander John E. Craven of the U. S. Navy; Rev. Charles I. Craven, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Mattituck, N. Y.; Miss Margaretta T. Craven, of Newark, and Miss Evelina Green Craven, of Philadelphia. He became a life member of this Society on May 20, 1858.

MRS. EMILY E. HORNBLOWER WILLIAMSON, who died on July 13, 1909, was the wife of Benjamin Williamson, the eldest son of the late Chancellor Benjamin Williamson and grandson of the late Governor Williamson of New Jersey. She was the daughter of Erastus F. and Emily N. Read Hornblower. In 1885 she founded the State Charities Aid and Prison Reform Association. In 1899 she was elected president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs. In 1902 she was appointed Probation Officer of Union County by Judge Vail, an office she held until the time of her death. She was a director of the Federation of Women's Clubs, a member of the National Board of Charities and Correction, a member of the State Board of Children's Guardians, a member of the State Charities Aid Association, a member of the Woman's Advisory Committee of the University of New York, secretary of the Institution for the Feeble-minded at Vineland, N. J., member of the Sorosis, of New York, a member of the Monday Club, of Elizabeth, secretary of the Home for Aged Women, President of the Day Nursery Association (now Egenolf Day Nursery), and president of the first conference of Charities and Corrections. She was identified from its beginning with the New Jersey Review of Charities and Corrections. She was appointed by President Roosevelt to be a delegate to the Congress of the International Prison Association at Budapest, and at the time made an extensive tour of Europe, inspecting prisons. She was active in bringing about the establishment of the State Reformatory at Rahway. She was also well known for her magazine work. She became a contributing member of this Society on May 19, 1887.

ERNEST LUTOLPH MEYER, who died on April 3, 1902, was the son of Dr. Nicholas Meyer, a British half-pay officer who took part in the campaign against the first Napoleon under Wellington, and Johanna Frederica Elizabeth Dorrien. He was born in Horneburg, Hanover, on August 26, 1828, and after studying at the Polytechnic School of Hanover and the University of Gottingen, and some time spent in the chemical factory of his uncle, in Rehme, Prussia, came to this country

in 1851. In the following year he became Assistant City Surveyor of Elizabeth, and, subsequently as City Surveyor, completed the plans of Evergreen Cemetery. He was the author of a History of Elizabeth. On November 24, 1858, he married Eugenia Mathilda Wirz, daughter of Rev. Johann Carl Furchgott Wirz, who belonged to one of the best known families of Switzerland, and Fernandine Oswald, of Stuttgart, Germany. Mrs. Meyer died April 25, 1889. The deceased was survived by three children: Alina Fernandine, who married Frederick Spranger Mabbatt; Ernest Hugo Lutolph, who married Alice Christina Shailer, and Oswald Lincoln Paul. He became a life member of this Society on May 16, 1895.

REV. DR. DONALD SAGE MACKAY, died on the way to his summer home at Blue Hill, Me., on August 27, 1908. He was born in Glasgow, on November 20, 1863. He was educated at the University of Glasgow, and New College, Edinburgh, obtaining a license to preach from the Presbytery of Glasgow. He came to this country in 1890, and, after serving four years as pastor of the First Congregational Church of St. Albans, Vt., came to Newark, where he assumed the pastorate of the North Reformed Church, after which he became pastor of the Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas, New York City. While at St. Albans he married Miss Helen L. Smith, daughter of J. J. Gregory Smith, president of the Vermont Central Railroad and the war governor of Vermont. He was survived by her and four children. He became a life member of this Society on May 16, 1895.

MISS FRANCES A. MCMURTRY, who became a contributing member of this Society on April 5, 1901, died at Newton, N. J., on August 10, 1912.

CHARLES BORCHERLING, for many years a prominent resident of Newark, died in that city on February 5, 1912, aged eighty-five years. He became a contributing member of this Society on May 17, 1886.

REV. DR. ALLEN H. BROWN, who was one of the oldest Presbyterian ministers in New Jersey, died on November 5, 1907, at Montclair, aged eighty-seven years. For the greater part of his life he was a missionary in the southern counties of the state, whither he went immediately after his ordination at Princeton Theological Seminary. He was born in New York city and graduated from Columbia College. For many years he held the position of synodical missionary of the Presbyterian church, retiring from the ministry about ten years before his death. He left a sister, a son and two daughters. He became a life member of the Society on May 20, 1875.

MRS. KATHARINE MYERS FREEMAN, widow of Wilberforce Freeman, died on February 25, 1912, at Orange, aged sixty-eight years. She was born in Whitehall, N. Y., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kirtland. She was survived by two daughters, Mrs. John H. N. Condict, of Orange, and Mrs. Will Howe Foote, of Old Lyme, Conn. She was elected a life member of this Society on May 3, 1905.

REV. DR. LOUIS SHREVE OSBORNE, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church of Newark, N. J., died on January 27, 1912, one day after the twenty-second anniversary of his delivering his first sermon in that church. He was born October 10, 1851, in Salem, Mass., and graduated from Harvard College in 1873. He studied theology in the Divinity School in Philadelphia, and, after some missionary work in southern Ohio, was called to the rectorate of Grace Church in Sandusky, Ohio. In 1884 he was called to Trinity Church in Chicago and in 1889 became rector of Trinity Church, Newark. He was married in Sandusky in 1878 to Miss Maria Ashburner, of Philadelphia, whom he had met when a student in Divinity School. She died in 1889, and he was survived by one son and two daughters : Algernon A., Elizabeth C., and Helen. He was elected a life member of this Society on May 16, 1895.

DR. EDGAR HOLDEN, a prominent physician of Newark, N. J., died on July 18, 1909, at Chatham. He was born at Hingham, Mass., on November 3, 1838. His father, Asa Holden, was a manufacturer of that place, and his grand-

father was John Holden, an officer in the Continental army, promoted for bravery at the battle of Bunker Hill and one of the founders of the American Society of Cincinnati. Dr. Holden graduated from Princeton College in 1859, and from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York in 1861. He enlisted in the latter part of 1861 and served in the United States navy throughout the civil war. He was an authority on diseases of the larynx and the inventor of several surgical instruments in general use. Dr. Holden's first wife was Miss Katherine Hedden, daughter of Jotham Hedden, of East Orange, whom he married in 1862. She died in 1870 and Dr. Holden in 1873 married Helen Stewart Burgess, daughter of John Burgess, of Orange. He was survived by his widow, two sons and three daughters. He was elected a life member of this Society on January 16, 1873.

FRANCIS HENDRICKS, who for many years was engaged in the manufacture of copper at Belleville, N. J., died in New York on March 8, 1912, aged seventy-five years. He was unmarried and was survived by a brother and six sisters, all residents of New York City. He was a graduate of New York University. He was elected a life member of this Society on January 26, 1896.

MRS. ANNA E. WRIGHT, died in Newark on March 8, 1912. She was Miss Anna E. Quinby, daughter of James M. and Phebe Sweasy Quinby, and was born in Newark on October 18, 1840. She was married to Nelson Wright, of New York, on October 5, 1865. She was the first vice president of the Guild of St. Barnabas Hospital, a leading member of the Society of Colonial Dames and took a great interest in the Woman's Branch of this Society. She was survived by a daughter, Mrs. Arthur H. MacKie, with whom she had made her home. She was elected a life member of this Society on April 6, 1900.

M. D. WHEELER THURSTON, died in New York City on June 26, 1908, at the age of thirty-nine years. He had devoted a great deal of time to genealogy of New Jersey families and was engaged in the advertising business in New York. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Thurston, of

East Long Branch. He was married to Mary C. Kenyon, of Toronto, Canada, and survived by her, his parents and three children : Richard Townley, Dorothy P. and Margaret Elizabeth. He was elected a contributing member of this Society on November 1, 1901.

MISS JULIA H. TICHENOR, daughter of James H. and Lydia Nuttman Tichenor, died in Newark on March 24, 1912. She was elected a life member of this Society on January 24, 1893.

Bergen County Tombstone Inscriptions.

OLD BURIAL GROUND AT DEMAREST, BERGEN CO., N. J.,

Copied May, 1910, by John Neafie and W. B. Van Alstyne, Verified May 5, 1912, by J. Neafie, New York City.

1. Benjamin Blacklidge, d. Nov. 27—1815, aged 72 yrs., 3 mos., 2 ds.
2. Cathalinettye, wife of Benjamin Blacklidge, died Oct. 5—1836, aged 82 yrs., 6 mos., 4 ds.
3. Jacobus Blacklidge, d. Aug. 20—1811—aged 31 yrs., 6 mos., 26 ds.
4. Isaac Blacklidge, b. Nov. 9—1794, d. Sept. 16—1811, aged 16 yrs., 10 mos., 7 ds.
5. Benjamin Blacklidge Jr. b. Sept. 17—1770, d. Oct. 13, 1811, aged 41 yrs. 26 days.
6. Peter Blacklidge, d. Nov. 9—1832, aged 50 yrs. 8 mos. 21 ds.
7. Maria Blacklidge, wife of Daniel Van Seiven, b. May 23—1772, d. Jan. 6—1823, aged 50 yrs. 7 mos. 14 ds.
8. Elizabeth Blacklidge, wife of Cornelius Van Valer, d. June 21—1839, aged 51 yrs. 7 mos. 21 ds.
9. Benjamin Blackledge, d. Aug. 28—1849, aged 52 yrs. 7 mos. 19 ds.
10. John Van Seiven, b. Apr. 6—1807, d. Jan. 31—1849, aged 41 yrs. 9 mos. 22 ds.
11. Daniel Van Seiven, d. July 10—1843, in his 95th yr. a Patriot of the American Revolution.
Children of James P. and Maria Blackledge.
12. George, died Sept. 30—1852, aged 4 years.

13. Andrew, died May 2—1855, ae. 3 yrs. 1 mo. 19 ds.
14. Meta Meierhoff, b. at Spaden in Germany, died at New York Feb. 20—1848, aged 25 years.
15. Maria Geeox, d. May 30—1842, aged 83 years, 9 mos. 15 ds.
16. Jane Parcels, wife of Joannis Blauvelt, died Aug. 14—1832, aged 77 years, 9 mos. 5 ds.
17. H. Bening, (a wooden marker, without any other inscription.)
18. Abraham I. Riker, d. Aug. 3—1839, aged 57 yrs. and 29 days.
19. Hannah, wife of Abraham Riker, died May 21—1868, aged 72 yrs. 6 mos. 7 ds.
20. Eliza Riker, wife of Henry M. Allison, died May 9—1850, aged 28 yrs. 10 mos. 13 ds.
21. A foot stone marked J. D.
22. Sophia Bogert, wife of Wiert Westervelt, d. Feb. 21—1879, aged 93 yrs. 11 mos. 24 days.
23. Wiert Westervelt, died Dec. 27—1845, aged 60 yrs. 9 mos. 13 ds.
24. Albert M. Bogert, b. Sept. 13—1783, d. July 20—1871, aged 87 yrs. 10 mos. 7 ds.
25. Catherine Westervelt, wife of Albert Bogart, d. Jan. 20—1832, aged 48 yrs. 8 mos.
26. Matthew M. Bogert, d. Mch. 30—1871, aged 91 yrs. 4 mos. 24 ds.
27. Willempy Haring, wife of Matthew M. Bogert, d. July 25—1859, aged 75 yrs. 27 ds.
28. Henry Ver Valen, son of Jacob M. & Maria Bogert, d. Nov. 30—1847, aged 4 yrs. 2 mos. 12 ds.
29. Maria A. Pullis, wife of Andrew Nodine, d. Dec. 18—1843, aged 25 yrs. 3 mos. 2 ds.
30. Sarah Bogert, wife of Martin Hagens, d. Oct. 11—1828, aged 77 yrs. 8 mos. 6 ds.
Children of Samuel & Sally Haring.
31. Eliza, b. Dec. 31—1837, d. Feb. 14—1855, ae 17 yrs. 1 mo. 14 ds.
32. Margaret, d. Apr. 14—1841, aged 5 mos. 11 ds.
33. John Debevoise, d. Aug. 23—1847, aged 33 yrs. 6 mos. 10 ds.
34. James, son of John & Sarah Ann Debevoise, d. Sept. 27—1838, aged 1 yr. 5 mos. 2 ds.
35. Sheldon Leavitt, son of Jeremiah & Susan Pangburn, d. May 18—1852, aged 1 yr. & 2 mos.

36. Mary, daughter of John & Lydia Lefferts, d. Mch. 4—1834, aged 3 yrs. 2 mos. 16 ds.

Children of N. and C. Pullis.

37. James, d. Sept. 24—1830, aged 4 mos.

38. Jacob, d. Nov. 30—1833, aged 8 yrs. 5 mos. 27 ds.

39. Lydia, wife of John B. Lefferts and daughter of Cornelius and Rachel Blackledge, d. May 25—1839, aged 37 yrs. 7 mos.

40. Garret Ackerman, b. Oct. 30—1790, d. Dec. 24—1836, aged 46 yrs. 2 mos. 4 ds.

41. ——— Westervelt, d. ——— 10—1809, aged 42 yrs. 11 mos, 8 ds. (broken.)

42. A brown stone, next to the above, with the inscription entirely scaled off.

43. A large rough stone, next to the above, all lettering illegible.

44. "Here Lyes the Body of Maria Meabe who Departed this life January the 30th 1773. Born March the 27th 1739. Aged 33 years 10 months and 3 days. (a literal copy)

45. M. J. a low stone, very old.

46. M. N. or M. A. a low rough stone, uncertain, almost illegible.

47. Mel X, a fragment.

48. Joseph Jordan, d. Mch 1—1843, in 59th year of age.

49. Elsey Parsels, wife of Joseph Jordan, b. June 12—1763, d. Feb. 11—1836, aged 72 yrs. 8 mos. 2 ds.

50. Wiman Bell, a small brown stone, no dates.

51. Lettitia Van Valer, wife of Peter Anthony, died June 1875, aged 74 years.

52. Cornelia Ann, dau. of John & Mary Anthony, died Mch. 23—1830, aged 1 yr. 1 mo. 21 ds.

53. 1794 a small rough stone.

M. H.

54. Douwe Talema, d. May 11—1779 in his 90th year. (murdered by a Party of Tories).

55. M. T. a small brown stone, next to the above.

56. Jacob, son of John and Nancy Van Valen, d. Oct. 3—1838.

57. Peter D. Haring, b. June 13—1773, d. Jan. 28—1842, aged 68 yrs. 7 mos. 15 ds.

58. Maria, widow of Peter D. Haring, d. Mch. 15—1868, aged 93 yrs. 1 mo. 24 ds.

59. Lydia Haring, wife of Peter Brush, d. Oct. 11—1834, aged 23 yrs. 10 mos. 8 ds.

60. Miss Sophia Haring, b. Dec. 4—1797, d. Oct. 13—1838, aged 40 yrs. 10 mos. 9 ds.

61. John Cole, d. Jan. 5—1863, aged 67 yrs. 4 mos. 23 ds.

62. Sophronia Cole, b. Feb. 14—1798, d. Feb. 6—1858, aged 59 yrs. 11 mos. 20 ds.

63. Justis Dill Jr. d. Mch. 21—1881, aged 32 yrs. 6 mos. 19 ds.

Children of David & Rachel Angevine.

64. Charlot Mary, d. Mch. 7—1837, aged 4 yrs. 3 mos. 10 ds.

65. John Lawrence, d. May 7—1838, aged 1 yr. 11 mos. 24 ds.

66. William Henry, d. Apr. 17—1840, aged 6 yrs. & 9 ds.

Children of Henry & Catherine Dubois.

67. Isaac H. d. May 10—1815, aged 1 yr. 5 mos. 5 ds.

68. Abraham, d. Sep. 23—1834, aged 1 yr. 5 mos. 18 ds.

69. Sarah Ellen, d. Oct. 25—1840, aged 1 yr. 27 ds.

70. Aaron, son of John & Maria Dubois, d. Sept. 14—1833, aged 7 mos. 17 ds.

71. Cornelia White, b. Aug. 15—1805, d. June 28—1842.

72. Thomas Dubois, d. July, 27—1830, aged 53 yrs. 6 mos. 3 ds.

73. Sarah Dubois, d. Apr. 5—1815, aged 36 yrs. 1 day.

74. Rinear Dubois, b. Dec. 24—1778, d. July 24—1860, aged 81 years, 7 months.

75. Elizabeth Jordan, wife of Rynear Dubois, d. Oct. 19—1844, aged 61 yrs. 6 mos. 1 day.

76. John Henry Dutcher, 22d N. J. Vols. d. Mch. 30—1863, ae. 26 yrs. 4 mos. 4 ds.

77. Stephen S. Demarest, d. July 25—1858, aged 64 yrs. 1 mo. & 18 days.

Children of David S. and Nancy A. Demarest.

78. Sarah Catherine, b. Aug. 1—1850, d. June 28—1851.

79. Joseph S. b. Aug. 17—1846, d. Feb. 26—1847.

80. Brazil Shevrotier, d. May 15—1826 aged about 35 yrs.

81. A rough stone, no marks, next to the above.

82. Jacob Shevrotier d May 15—1862 aged 39 yrs. 3 mos. 6 ds.

83. Joseph Shevrotier, b. May 15—1821, d. June 5—1872, aged 51 yrs. 21 ds.

84. Ann Maria Demarest, widow of Joseph Shevrotier, b. Sep. 26—1834, d. July 12—1875.

85. A large brown stone, lettering all scaled off.

86. Another large brown stone, all lettering scaled.

87. Little David White, no dates.

88. John Debevoise, d. Aug. 23—1847, aged 33 yrs. 6 mos. 10 ds.

89. James, son of John and Sarah Ann Debevoise, d. Sep. 27—1838, aged 1 yr. 3 mos. 2 ds.

90. Jesse, son of John H. and Rachel Brush, d. Apr. 21—1834, aged 7 mos. 8 ds.

91. James D. Haring, d. Oct. 18—1890, aged 81 yrs. 11 mos. 20 ds.

92. Albert Waldron, b. Apr. 21—1751, d. Apr. 27—1833, aged 82 yrs. (dim).

93. Rachel, widow of Albert Waldron, dau. of Richard & Sophia Herring, b. May 4—1760, d. Sep. 15—1834, aged 74 yrs.

94. Polly Demarest, wife of Matthew Bogert, d. Aug. 27—1832, aged 65 yrs. 1 mo. 9 ds.

95. Samuel M. Bogert, d. Aug. 19—1832, aged 31 yrs. 3 mos. 14 ds.

Children of Samuel M. and Lydia Bogert.

96. Matthew, d. Aug. 14—1832, aged 3 yrs. 5 mos. 25 ds.

97. David, d. Aug. 22—1832, aged 9 yrs. 11 mos. 14 ds.

98. Walter Parsel, b. Feb. 10—1766, d. Aug. 12—1832, aged 66 yrs. 6 mos. 2 ds.

99. Ann Westervelt, wife of Walter Percil, d. Sept. 13—1861, aged 88 years.

100. Margaret Parsel, wife of Stephen D. Demarest, d. Apr. 11—1848, aged 52 yrs. 10 mos. 12 ds.

101. Jacob Parsells, b. July 21—1802, d. Meh. 14—1835, aged 33 yrs. 6 mos. 12 ds.

102. Cornelia Blauvelt, wife of Jacob Parsells, b. Aug. 27—1806, d. May 4, 1891, aged 84 yrs. 8 mos. 8 ds.

103. Jacob Parcell, d. May 19—1838, aged 36 yrs. 1 mo.

104. Daniel W. Cole, b. Meh. 22—1826, d. Sept. 8—1882.

105. A large thick rough stone, illegible.

Many rough stones without marks.

UNION CEMETERY, RAMSEYS, N. J.

1. Leah Doremus, wife of Peter I. Post, d. May 3—1854, aged 62 yrs. 2 mos. 8 ds.

2. Peter G. the murdered son of Peter I. & Leah D. Post, died Oct. 5—1854, aged 24 yrs. 5 mos. 27 ds.

3. John P. Post, d. Oct. 18—1843, in the 83rd year of his age.

4. Catherine Rough, wife of John P. Post, d. Sep. 9—1844, in the 82d year of age.

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Newark's 250th Anniversary Celebration.

Newark at present is celebrating its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary through a series of elaborate events and spectacles running through a period of five months. While through various avenues of publicity the story in detail has gone forth to the world, it is proper that the records of the Historical Society also should present some ordered account however brief of the celebration. The Society suggested the celebration and largely furnished the necessary historical materials.

On December 5, 1916, Jonathan W. Roberts, late President of the Society, appointed at the suggestion of Charles Bradley a "Committee on the 250th Anniversary of Newark". It consisted of Charles Bradley, Chairman, Charles M. Lum, Francis J. Swayze, William S. Disbrow, William C. Morton, George R. Howe and Joseph F. Folsom. Subsequently President Francis J. Swayze appointed William T. Hunt and Joseph M. Riker, omitting himself.

Mr. Bradley conferred with the Honorable Jacob Haussling, then Mayor of Newark, and with other city authorities, regarding a great civic celebration, and to his initiative largely is owing the Committee of One Hundred appointed by the Mayor after legislative action had been secured. Twenty members of the Historical Society were named on that committee, of whom three are members of the Society's committee

previously named. Mr. Bradley is a member of the executive committee of the Committee of One Hundred.

The City's committee recognized the appropriateness of asking the Society to formally receive and entertain the invited delegates of the various historical and other learned societies of the United States on May the first, when the opening exercise of the celebration were to be held. The reception judged by the presence of 200 distinguished guests and a universal appreciation was a success. Later the guests were conducted to the new Proctor's Palace Theatre on Market street, west of Halsey, where before a great assemblage of citizens literary exercises of high character were held. Addresses were delivered by the Honorable Franklin Murphy, a former Governor of New Jersey and the chairman of the Committee of One Hundred; by the Honorable Thomas L. Raymond, Mayor of Newark; by the Honorable James F. Fielder, Governor of New Jersey; and by the Honorable Francis J. Swayze, Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey and President of the New Jersey Historical Society. The celebration ode was read by its author, the Reverend Lyman Whitney Allen D. D., of the South Park Presbyterian Church of Newark. The Right Reverend Edwin S. Lines D. D., Protestant Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of Newark, a trustee of the Society, offered the invocation, and the Right Reverend John J. O'Connor, D. D., Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Newark, assisted by the Right Reverend Monsignor Isaac P. Whelan D. D., pronounced the benediction.

The guests of the city and the Society on this memorable day entertained were the following :

American Academy of Arts and Letters, 70 Fifth Ave., New York : Prof. William M. Sloane, New York.

American Academy of Political and Social Science, West Phila. Station, Philadelphia, Pa. : Mr. Frederick L. Hoffman, Newark, N. J.; Hon. Franklin Murphy, Newark, N. J.

American Bible Society, Bible House, Astor Pl., New York : Mr. Churchill H. Cutting, New York; Mr. Joseph F. Randolph, Morristown, N. J.

American Historical Association, 1140 Woodward Build-

ing, Washington, D. C. : Prof. William M. Sloane, New York.

American Jewish Historical Society: Mr. Albert M. Friedenberg, New York; Mr. Leon Hunner, New York; Rabbi Solomon Foster, Newark, N. J.; Rabbi Charles I. Hoffman, Newark, N. J.

American Library Association, 78 East Washington St., Chicago, Ill.; Mr. J. C. Dana, Newark, N. J.; Miss Beatrice Winsor, Newark, N. J.; Mr. Frank P. Hill, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Clara Hunt, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Jessie Hume, Jamaica, N. Y.; Mr. Edwin H. Anderson, New York; Mr. Benjamin Adams, New York; Miss Annie Carroll Moore, New York.

American Philosophical Society, Independence Square, Philadelphia, Pa., Dr. J. Dyneley Prince, New York; Mr. Julius F. Sachse, Philadelphia, Pa.

American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society, Tribune Building, New York, George Frederick Kunz, Ph. D., Sc. D., New York; Hon. N. Taylor Phillips, New York; Mr. Henry Harper Benedict, New York.

Bangor Historical Society, Bangor, Maine, Dr. Thomas Upham Coe, Hotel Vanderbilt, New York.

Bergen County Historical Society, Hackensack, N. J., Mrs. F. A. Westervelt, Hackensack, N. J.; Mr. W. O. Allison, New York; Mr. Robert T. Wilson, Saddle River, N. J.; Dr. Byron G. Van Horne, Englewood, N. J.; Mr. Cornelius V. R. Bogert, Bogota, N. J.

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California Genealogical Society, San Francisco, Cal., Mrs. Cyrus Walker, San Francisco, Cal.; Mr. Bethuel Merrit Newcomb, San Francisco, Cal.; Mr. George Henry Andruss, San Francisco, Cal.; Mr. Orra Eugene Monnette, Los Angeles, Cal.

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Hunterdon County Historical Society, Flemington, N.

J., Dr. William W. Hawke, Flemington, N. J.; Mr. Elias Vosseeler, Flemington, N. J.

Long Island Historical Society, Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. William B. Davenport, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. John J. Pierrepont, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. L. Clarke, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. Cyril H. Burdett, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Louisiana Historical Society, The Cabildo, New Orleans, La., Mrs. Charles Le. Sassier.

Massachusetts Historical Society, Fenway, Boston, Mass., Mr. Worthington Chauncey Ford.

Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the U. S., Brig. Gen. Joseph W. Plume, Newark, N. J.; Lieut. Theodore W. Alston, Newark, N. J.; Capt. Theodore Gray, Newark, N. J.; Mr. Edmund F. S. Joy, Newark, N. J.

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National Society of U. S. Daughters of 1812, 322 West 87th St., New York; Mrs. Mathias Steelman, Elizabeth, N. J.; Mrs. S. Drayton, Mrs. A. G. Van Houten, Mrs. T. Clayton.

The Naval History Society, 247 Fifth Ave., New York, Mr. Robert W. Neeser, New York.

New Brunswick Historical Club, New Brunswick, N. J., Rev. John A. Ingham, D. D., New Brunswick, N. J.; Prof.

John H. Logan, New Brunswick, N. J.; Mrs. John H. Raven, New Brunswick, N. J.

New England Historic Genealogical Society, 9 Ashburton Pl., Boston, Mass., Mr. Henry W. Hardon, New York; Mr. Levi Holbrook, New York.

New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord, N. H., Mr. George B. Leighton, Monadnock Farms, Monadnock, N. H.

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New Jersey State Library, Trenton, N. J., Mr. John P. Fullard, Trenton, N. J.

New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, 226 West 58th St., New York, Mr. Richard Henry Greene, New York; Mr. Josiah Collins Pumpelly, New York; Mr. Woodbury Gersdorf Langdon, New York.

New York Historical Society, 170 Central Park West, New York, Mr. James Benedict, New York; Mr. Robert H. Kelby, New York.

New York State Historical Association, Room 330, Education Building, Albany, N. Y., Hon. Stuyvesant Fish, 52 Wall St., New York; Hon. George A. Blauvelt, New York.

Newport Historical Society, Newport, R. I., Rev. Dr. Roderick Terry, Newport, R. I.; Mr. Frank K. Sturgis, New York; Mr. Lawrence L. Gillespie, New York; Miss Mabel Simpson, Newport, R. I.

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Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, Rev. Edward Payson Johnson, New Brunswick; Prof. William Libbey, Princeton; Mr. Henry Snyder Kissam, New York.

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Royal Historical Society, 22 Russell Square, W. C. London, Eng., Prof. R. B. Merriman, Cambridge, Mass.

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Society of Colonial Wars, General Society, Mr. John Lenord Merrill, East Orange.

Society of Daughters of Holland Dames, Miss Charlotte C. Hall, New York; Mrs. Robert Stockton, Elizabeth; Miss Dora Smith, New York; Miss Elise S. Crane, New York.

Society of Mayflower Descendants, Gov. and Mrs. Richard

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Society of the War of 1812, in New Jersey, Mr. Nelson J. H. Edge, Jersey City; Mr. Horace Holden, Morristown; Mr. Harry Dailey, Jersey City; Dr. George H. Richards, Orange; Mr. Lovell H. Carr, Jersey City; Mr. Isaac Kemp.

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S. A. R., Orange Chapter, Mr. S. Carl Downs, East Orange; Rev. S. Ward Righter, East Orange; Mr. Adelbert A. Kenyon, East Orange; Mr. Thomas W. Williams, East Orange.

S. A. R., Paramus Chapter, Mr. Carl M. Vail, Ridgewood; Mr. Richard T. Wilson, Ridgewood; Mr. Louis F. Halsted, Ridgewood; Hon. Cornelius Doremus, Ridgewood.

Sons of the Revolution, Mr. James Mortimer Montgomery, New York; Col. William Libbey, Princeton; Gen. Thomas H. Chambers, Trenton.

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Sussex County Historical Society, Newton, N. J., Judge W. H. Morrow, Belvidere; Mr. W. W. Woodward, Newton.

United States Catholic Historical Society, New York, Mr. Stephen Farrelly, New York; Rt. Rev. Mgr. Henry A. Brann, D. D., New York; Rev. Thomas J. Campbell, New York; Prof. Arthur F. J. Remy, New York; Mr. Joseph H. Fargis, New York.

Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, Va., Mr. Hiram E. Deats, Flemington, N. J.

Washington Association of New Jersey, Morristown, N. J., Mr. Alfred Elmer Mills, Morristown; Miss Altha E. Hatch, Morris Plains; Mr. Henry C. Pitney, Morristown; Mr. Wy-nant D. Vanderpool, Morristown; Mr. Edward Q. Keasbey.

Woman's Burlington County Historical Society, Mrs. Alban Spooner, Beverly; Mrs. Philip S. Clarkson, Edgewater Park.

Yale University, New Haven, Conn., Mr. Albert H. Atha, Newark, N. J.

The following is a list of Societies and Institutions, from which letters were received expressing regret that they were unable to send delegates, and conveying their best wishes for the success of Newark's 250th anniversary celebration.

American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.

American Geographical Society, Broadway & 156th St., New York City.

American Newspaper Publishers Association, New York City.

Bradford Historical & Antiquarian Society, Bradford, England.

Buffalo Historical Society, Buffalo, N. Y.

Colonial Dames of America, General Society, New York City.

Georgia Historical Society, Savannah, Ga.

Hartford Theological Seminary, Hartford, Conn.

Hyde Park Historical Society, Hyde Park, Mass.

Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis, Ind.

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.

Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Kansas.

Library Company, Locust & Juniper Sts., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis, Mo.

Numismatic and Antiquarian Society, Philadelphia, Pa.

Oneida Historical Society, Park Ave. & Elizabeth St.,
Utica, N. Y.

State Historical Society of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia.

State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.

Vineland Historical and Antiquarian Society, Vineland,
N. J.

On the seventeenth of May, Wednesday, appointed as "founder's day" following a precedent as to date established without historical basis fifty years ago at the 200th anniversary, were held in the evening literary and historical exercises in the auditorium of the "Old First" Presbyterian Church. The speakers included the Pastor of the church, Rev. William J. Dawson D. D., who delivered the oration, Governor Fielder, Mayor Raymond, Former-Governor Murphy, and the distinguished guest of the city, Governor Marcus H. Holcomb of Connecticut. During the day a parade of military and civic bodies had taken place.

On Sunday afternoon, May 28, was held in Weequahic Park in the amphitheatre prepared for the pageant, a great religious service attended by approximately seventeen thousand people of all sects and denominations. Addresses were delivered by representatives of the Protestant, Jewish and Catholic elements of the City. Rev. William J. Dawson D. D., Pastor of the "Old First" Presbyterian Church, Rev. Solomon Foster, Rabbi of the Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, the oldest Jewish synagogue in the City, and Mr. John L. O'Toole, a prominent Catholic layman, were the speakers. Undoubtedly this religious service was the largest ever held in the city of Newark. The Honorable Franklin Murphy, who presided, suggested that a memorial stone should be erected on the site. The motion for holding this meeting, as the minutes of the Church Participation Committee of the Committee of One Hundred show, was offered by the writer, its originator.

To detail all the varied events of the celebration thus far carried through would require space too valuable to use in view of the fact that elsewhere in the daily press and in peri-

odicals the story in large has appeared. The "Newarker," published monhly by the Committee of One Hundred since November, 1915, as its organ of publicity, contains month by month a richly illustrated record of all matters related to the celebration. When concluded with the October number of 1916 this periodical will make a volume of great historical value — indispensable for future reference. Its editor is Henry Wellington Wack, the Adviser of the celebration.

Unquestionably the most outstanding feature of the celebration was the historical pageant staged in a natural amphitheatre in Weequahic Park under the personal direction of Thomas Wood Stevens, the author of the drama, which under the title of "The Pageant of Newark" has been published in pamphlet form. The drama is a dignified contribution to the literature of Newark, and its enactment on the four evenings between May 30 and June 2, inclusive, by thousands of citizen players was an acknowledged inspirational success. The text while properly imaginative in many details does no violence to historical accuracy even where for the requirements of the movement liberties are taken. Mr. Stevens and the writer, who had been appointed chairman of the committee on the pageant book, were in frequent conferences to insure historical consistency. There were four movements to the drama, three were historical and the fourth a spectacular masque in which hundreds of representatives of the various nationalities which have adopted Newark as their home, and America as their country, played their parts. Any description of the pageant would fail to convey to the absentee its marvelous scope, its romantic atmosphere and its brilliancy of color. The effect left in the souls of those who were capable of entering into its spirit has in the Newark Evening News, of June 3, 1916, since been beautifully interpreted by Leonard H. Robbins in a sonnet as follows :

The Message of the Masque.

The lights are out : the rainbow pictures fade;
 Their magic beauty and their color-flow
 And rythmic grace no eye again shall know;
 'Tis ended now, the lovely masquerade,

And those who, wondering, looked, and those who played,
 Back to the busy commonplace they go,
 To toiling life that moves so dull and slow;
 And silent darkness cloaks the parkland glade.

The rainbow pictures fade; but still there gleams
 The rainbow hope to hold us to our dreams;
 And lowly toil grows beautiful and bright
 As hearts urge forward to the coming light;
 And men in lifelong memory will see
 The vision of the city that shall be.

The Newark Poetry Competition was a feature of the celebration which engaged widespread attention, and brought forth contributions of verse from all parts of the United States and from other lands. Thirteen cash prizes were to be awarded, amounting to one thousand dollars. The conditions laid down for competitors were generous, permitting every imaginable kind of poetry on any subject related to Newark. The judges who gave their services to the City were :

From Newark : Hon. Frederic Adams, Judge of the Circuit Court, State of New Jersey; Hon. Thos. L. Raymond, Counsellor-at-Law, and Mayor of Newark; Miss Margaret Coult, Head of English Department, Barringer High School; William S. Hunt, Associate Editor, Newark Sunday Call.

At large : Prof. John C. Van Dyke, Professor History of Art, Rutgers College; Lecturer Columbia, Harvard, Princeton; Author; Editor : College Histories of Art; History of American Art; — New Brunswick, New Jersey;

Thomas L. Masson, (Tom Masson,) Literary Editor "Life"; Author; Editor Humorous Masterpieces of American Literature; and

Theodosia Garrison, Author : The Joy of Life and other Poems; Earth Cry and other Poems; Contributor to Magazines.

The winner of the first prize, the amount \$250.00, was Clement Wood, of New York, whose poem was entitled "The Smithy of God". Anna B. Mezquida, San Francisco, won the second of \$150.00, with "The City of Heritage", and Albert E. Trombly, of Philadelphia, the third of \$100.00, with "New-

ark—1916". The ten remaining prizes of fifty dollars each, were taken by the following poets in the order of their naming, Sayres Coe, Glen Ridge, New Jersey, "The Voice of the City"; Katherine Baker, Wildwood, New Jersey, "Puritan Newark"; Daniel Long, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, "To Newark"; Minnie J. Reynolds, West Portal, New Jersey, "Newark"; Alice R. Rouse, Covington, Kentucky, "The Ballad of Seth Boyden's Gift"; James H. Tuckley, Irvington, New Jersey, "The Silent Message"; Berton Braley, New York City, "The Builder"; Simon Barr, New York City, "The Hill Folk Speak"; Ezra Pound, London, England, "To a City Sending Him Advertisements"; Edward N. Teall, Bloomfield, New Jersey, "The Soul of the City, (Newark 1666—1916)."

During the celebration a number of monuments and tablets have been unveiled. Three were erected by the Committee of One Hundred and were designed by Gutzon Borglum of New York. They are the bronze and stone shaft on Washington street at Broad near the Public Library, with figures of a Puritan and an Indian; an ornamental bronze electrolier on the safety isle at Branford place and Washington street; and the fountain with inscription to the founders at the foot of Saybrook place, in Landing Place Park. Christian W. Feigen-span, a member of the Committee, has presented the City a copy by J. Massey Rhind, of New York, of the famous Col-leoni equestrian statue of Venice. The unveiling is to take place at the site of erection in Clinton Park during this month.

Other memorials have been placed by various organizations at different points of historic interest, and still others are to follow. A list of Newark's historical monuments is printed in the official manual of the celebration. Along Broad street, with several on intersecting streets, are placed massive pylons of staff upon which are inscribed quotations of prose and poetry epigrammatic in character. One of the selections, taken from a poem in the "Newarker" reads :

The manes and the stars fortell
A greater Newark till her fame
Resplendent cast a wondrous spell
On land or sea where sounds her name.

The great musical festival held in the First Regiment Armory four nights beginning May the first, and the industrial exposition held in the same building from May 13 to June 3, together with numerous parades and sporting events are some of the many other features of the celebration already carried out.

A bibliography of the varied literature produced by the celebration will be valuable for reference in the future, the contributions making good historical material. While the list to follow may be incomplete it contains most of the important items.

The "Newarker", a periodical formerly published by the Free Public Library and edited by John Cotton Dana, the Librarian, was turned over to the Committee to be used for a year and greatly enlarged. It began November, 1915, in its new form and will conclude in October of this (1916) year. It publishes all the news of celebration and is beautifully illustrated. It is the official record of the work of the Committee of One Hundred. It is edited by Henry Wellington Wack.

The "Official Guide and Manual of the 250th Anniversary Celebration", edited by Henry Wellington Wack, and published by the Newark Sales and Advertising Company, is an illustrated pamphlet of 182 pages including an index, which contains a wealth of information about Newark and its celebration.

"Newark's Anniversary Industrial Exposition, May 13 to June 3, 1916", is an illustrated programme of 144 pages, which contributes much historical material.

"The Pageant of Newark" contains the words of the pageant enacted on the four evenings of May 30 to June 2, inclusive, at Weequahic Park. The author is Thomas Wood Stevens, and the pamphlet was published by the Committee. It contains 112 pages.

The "Newark Directory" for 1916, (250th Anniversary Edition), published by Price, Lee and Company, contains special features in recognition of the celebration. Thirty-two pages are given to an announcement of the celebration by

Henry Wellington Wack, and there is a chronological history of Newark by Joseph Fulford Folsom, running to ten pages.

"Newark's 250th Anniversary Celebration," a pamphlet of thirty-two pages compiled by Henry Wellington Wack, Executive Adviser of the Committee, published by Price, Lee and Company, contains the same material as that to be found in Mr. Wack's article in the Newark Directory of 1916.

The pamphlet "Historic Newark" compiled by the Walton Printing and Advertising Company, Boston, Massachusetts, and printed for the Fidelity Trust Company of Newark, contains fifty-six pages, and is finely illustrated to show historic sites and scenes.

"Newark — 250 Years Old", by Franklin Murphy, formerly Governor of New Jersey, is a pamphlet of ten pages containing an address at the 48th annual banquet of the Board of Trade of the City of Newark, at the Robert Treat Hotel, on May 13, 1916.

"Addresses, Delivered at a Banquet Given at the Washington, Newark, N. J., April 29, 1916", is a pamphlet of forty-one pages with addresses delivered at a splendid dinner given Mr. Murphy by the Committee of One Hundred. The text of the invocation by Rev. Joseph F. Folsom, and of the addresses of Mr. Uzal McCarter, Honorable Franklin Murphy, Governor James F. Fielder, Mayor Thomas L. Raymond, Mr. Charles Bradley and former Mayor Jacob Haussling is printed in full.

The pamphlet "Historic Ceremonies and Exercises" contains the proceedings at Proctor's Palace Theatre at the opening of the celebration on May the first, 1916. The program, the addresses by Former Governor Murphy, Mayor Thomas L. Raymond, Governor James F. Fielder, and the Honorable Francis J. Swayze, Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey, and the celebration ode by Rev. Lyman Whitney Allen, D. D., are included.

"What Mean These Stones", by Rev. William J. Dawson, D. D., an illustrated pamphlet of twenty pages, contains an historical sermon delivered in the "Old First" Presbyterian Church, on May 14, 1916, and an oration delivered on "Founders' Day", May 17, 1916, in the same edifice.

The "Music of the Christian Church" by Alfred Lewis Dennis, is a handsomely printed pamphlet of 34 pages containing an essay on Christian music, and the program and words of the musical pageant presented in the "Old First" Presbyterian Church on Friday, May 12, and Sunday, May 14, 1916.

"Ceremonies at the Unveiling of a Copy of the Colleoni Equestrian Statue" is a pamphlet of sixteen pages containing addresses by Former Governor Franklin Murphy, Justice Francis J. Swayze and Mayor Thomas L. Raymond, with notes on the history and meaning of the statue, and the letter of presentation of Mr. Christian W. Feigenspan, the donor.

"A Brief History of the Newark Academy" by Wilson Farrand, issued as "a contribution to the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of Newark", contains twenty pages of local history in which the academy plays a part.

The "Clinton Hill Year Book, 1916", an illustrated pamphlet of sixty-four pages with cover in colors, representing the landing of Robert Treat, published by the Clinton Hill Improvement Association, contains many cuts of Newark buildings and scenes.

"Patriotic Essays" by Elroy Headley, inscribed "Original limited edition commemorating the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the City of Newark, 1666-1916", is a cloth-bound book of sixty-four pages containing brief essays on patriotism as related to many departments of social life.

"The 250th Anniversary of Newark, New Jersey" by A. Cundari, Editor, is a pamphlet of twenty-four pages, published at Harrison—Newark, New Jersey, which contains a chronological history of Newark, with a sketch of Mr. Cundari's business career, making an interesting contribution by an American citizen of foreign birth.

JOSEPH F. FOLSOM.

The Orderly Book of Lieutenant John Spear.

(July 17 to December 4, 1781.)

John Spear, a lieutenant in the Jersey Brigade, was a resident of Second River, now Belleville. He was born on March 7, 1754, and died September 24, 1818. His wife was Margaret Jaroleman, who was born on March 26, 1763, and died December 13, 1831. Revolutionary traditions about the Spear family have locally survived. The best known is the shooting by John Spear, Sr., father of Lieutenant John, from the spire of the Dutch Reformed Church, Belleville, of a British or Hessian soldier, who was in a boat on the Passaic River. The silver watch secured from the dead foe is preserved at the New Jersey Historical Society together with Lieutenant John Spear's sword and other relics, the most valuable of which is the manuscript orderly book now for the first time printed. The relics were presented by John J. Tucker. The Speers came from Amsterdam in 1642 on the ship "Faith", Hendrick Jansen Spier and his wife Madeline Hanse being the founder immigrants.

The orderly book covers a period when the Jersey Brigade was at Dobbs Ferry, New York, and at Connecticut Farms, and at Newark, Essex County, New Jersey.

Brigade Orders, Dobbs Ferry, 17th July, 81.

The Commandant directs that the utmost attention is paid by every Officer to preserve the property of the inhabitants, particularly of those in the vicinity of Camp, any person guilty of a wanton destruction of the Fruits, fencing, or any other Article the property of the Inhabitants may depend on the severest punishment being instantly inflicted.

Head Quarters Dobbs Ferry Aug. 1st, 1781.

Extract from Gen'l Orders.

The prohibition against plundering any species of property from the inhabitants of the Country however unfriendly they may

be have been repeated so frequently and in such positive terms that the General flatters himself there is no further occasion to give any more caution on that Head.

Brigade Orders Dobbs Ferry July 16th.

The Commandant directs that in future neither Officer or Soldier belonging to the Jersey Brigade stay out of Camp a Single Night without his particular permission as we are now about to join and act in conjunction with the main Army it is recommended in the most positive manner to the Officers to be particularly attentive to the discipline of the men, for this purpose they are to parade at 5 O'Clock every morning and evening, when the commanding Officer of Reg't will see that they are properly instructed in the manuel Exercise, and the Evolutions at their own discretion.

Particular attention must be paid to their duty by Officers upon Guard from which they are by no means to be absent on any pretence whatever.

The unsoldierly practice of firing in Camp and the wanton destruction of Ammunition by any other means are strictly forbidden and will be punished in the severest Manner.

B. Orders — Dobbs Ferry Aug. 8th, 1781.

Coll. Seelys Rgt. will parade for Exercise at Sunrise in the morning and 5 O'Clock in the Afternoon.

The Commandt is verry sorry too little attention paid to the Orders of the 16th Ultimo, which prohibits in the most positive Terms any Officer staying out of Camp without leave previously obtained from the Commanding Officer of the Brigade — and hopes this may be the last occasion he shall have to notice theire neglect, so destructive to the safety and regularity of Camp as he is determined to arrest any Officer who shall be guilty of a breach of this Order.

Any Soldier who is caught Stragling more than two hundred Yards from Camp after retreatbeating may depend on being punished.

B. Morning Orders Aug. 12th 1781.

A party consisting of 1 Capt. 4 Subs. and 60 NonComsd Officers and privates will be immediately detached for Command, and hold themselves in readiness to march upon the shortest Notice.

B. Orders Aug. 12th, 1781.

Capt. of the day tomorrow 1st Reg.

Adj. — Halsey T S C P

Grand Parade — 1— 2— 2— 34

Regimental Orders 11th Aug. 1781.

Court Martial to sit this Day at 12 O'clock whereof Capt. Guild is to be President for the Tryal of Prisoners now Confined.

Thomas Skilman soldier of Capt. Rickeys Company having been tryd for Theft by a Court Martial whereof Capn. Ralph Guild was President, was Acquitted.

The Col. disapproves of the above sentence and orders a Court to be Warn'd to sit to morrow at Eleven O'clock A. M. for his Tryal and others.

Brigade Orders Dobbs Ferry 13th Aug. 1781.

Capn. of the day tomorrow 2nd Regiment.

Adjutant — Bishop.

A fatigue party Consisting of one Sub. 40 Men to Parade to morrow morning at Guard Mounting at Dobbs Ferry,

Sub.	L	C	P
Guard 1—	2—	2—	33
Fatigue 1—	0—	0—	16

Regimental Orders.

The Col. is exceeding unhappy in hearing of the disorderly practice that the soldiers has got into of Fighting and abusing one another he therefore requests and enjoins that all the Officers under his Command take the greatest care that no such disorders are committed.

Thomas Skilman of Capn. Rickey's Company having been tried for Theft by a Court Martial whereof Capn. Israel Rickey was President — was found Guilty and was ordered by said Court to pay two hard Dollars to Lt. Fendin for his Damage and to stand before the Regiment & Confess his fault and by forgiveness of his Company for bringing Scandal on the Soldiers.

Thomas Penn Belonging to Captn. Craig's Company having been Tried by said Court for Insulting John Emly the Charge not being supported the Court have Acquitted him.

The Coll. approves of the above sentences and Orders that the above said Thomas Skilman appear on the Parade this evening and Comply with the above sentence — and that said Penn be discharged from his Confinement.

Brigade Orders Dobbs Ferry 14th Aug. 81.

Officer of the Day tomorrow Capn. Guild.

Adjut Halsey.

Guard & Fatigue as before.

Regimental Orders Camp Dobb's Ferry August 14th, 1781.

Whereas Numbers of disorderly Acts have been committed by the Soldiery since we have arrived at this place and sundry of said Soldiers have been confined for such disorders. But the Coll. being willing to make use of lenient measures has forgiven them in hopes it would reform them he therefore gives them this warning that he is determined not to forgive any such Offences for the future and the soldiers are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

The Officers and soldiers warned for duty are not to Attend exercise in the morning but are to be called out as soon as the Regiment is Paraded and after being formed are to be dismiss'd untill the Troop Beating.

The soldiers are to Provide a piece of Wood to put in their socks in stead of flints & to put them in to exercise with & to take them out as soon as Dismist & put their flints in again every day they are to Exercise.

Regimental Orders Camp Dobbs Ferry 15th August 1781.

The Officers Commanding Companys are to see that their Provision Returns are handed in the evening before they draw the Provision may be drawn early.

Head Quarters Near Dobbs Ferry Augt. 15th 1781.

The Army to hold itself in perfect readiness to move at the shortest Notice.

Extract from Genl. Orders.

Brigade Orders Augt. 16th, 1781.

Capn. of the Day tomorrow from the 2nd Regiment. ———

Adjutant ——— Halsey.

Regimental Orders Camp Dobbs Ferry 16th August 1781.

All soldiers are strictly forbid going into any Cornfield or Garden on any pretence whatever.

Regimental Orders August 17th, 1781.

A Court Martial to be warned to sit at half after Ten Oclock this Morning all Persons are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

It is with the greatest Concern that the Coll. has heard numbers of Pieces fired in Camp without orders.

In order to put a stop to such unsoldierly like Practices he Strictly forbids any soldier firing without obtaining leave of the Commanding Officer. And any soldier that is Caught so offending shall be immediately tied up & receive fifteen lashes without benefit of a Court Martial — John Halsey, Levi Davis & Orry Consalle being Tried for stealing by a Court Martial whereof Capt. Jonas Ward was President they were all acquitted Jacob Allen being Charged with firing his piece without leave was Tried by the same Court, pleads Guilty to the charge and was ordered by said Court to march back and forward through the Regiment with his hat under his Arm and thank the Coll. for the favour shewn him.

The Coll. Approves the above sentences and orders them put in Execution this Evening at Parading.

Brigade Orders 18th Augt. 1781.

The Commandant directs that Coll. Seely's Regiment parade precisely at half past four O'clock this Afternoon and March to this place, to attend the Executions of William Clark Soldier in the 1st Jersey Regt.

Regimental Orders Dobbs Ferry 20th Augt. 1781.

Officer of the Day tomorrow — Captn. Rickey.

Parole C. S.

The Orderly Serjts. are to Report the Names of the Sick and the place they are at to the Doctr. Tomorrow Morning & he is to Make Report to the Colonel as soon as may be of those that are able to March.

No soldiers is to be absent from Roll Call tomorrow Eighth Morning or at 12 O'clock on any Pretence whatever.

S. Sergt. C. P.

Detail for Guard 1'' 4— 4— 50

Regimental Morning Orders 21 Augt 1781.

The Officers & Soldiers are to draw two days flour and one days Beef and have it drest ready to march at a moments warning.

The Waggoners are to have there Horses up and Waggon ready to receive the Baggage at two O'clock this Afternoon precisely. The soldiers at the same time to return all the Axes, Spades, and other heavy Baggage to the 2d Master and Strike the Tents and have them loaded. The sick are also to Assembly at the Coll. Quarters all that are able to march at three O'clock the Baggage & sick are to move of —

S S C P

— A Guard Consisting of 1— 1— 1— & 20 are to be ready to march as a Guard and a Careful Serjant to take care of the sick. Officer of Day Cap. Guild.

Evening Orders.

The Coll. having received Counter Orders the sick and Baggae are not to Move as ordered above.

Officer of the day tomorrow, Capt. Baldwin —

Parole Granadier, Countersyns (Morris,
(Essex

Guard as Usual.

Regimental Orders Augt. 22nd 1781.

The Coll. is convinced that not only the safety of the Troops under his Command but those of the whole Army at this time depends on the Vigilance & activity of the Officers and soldiers under his Command he therefore not only requests but enjoins it that the Officers both Commissioned & Non Commissioned take the Greatest care that the soldiers do their duty & Especially the Guards — The Coll. has Frequently founed the Centinels Sitting on their posts which is an unsoldierly practice and renders him unfit to do his duty Properly — The soldiers are therefore strictly forbid doing the like for the future & what ever Officer finds any Centinel so Offending are to Confine him & send in his Crime to the Officer of the Guard —

Officer of the day tomorrow Captain Guild.

Parole C. S. (Newark
(New York

Guard as before.

Regimental Moving Orders 23rd 1781.

A Court Martial to be warned to sit this Morning at Nine O'Clock for the Trial of Prisoners now Confined all persons are to take Notice and Govern themselves Accordingly

Regimental Orders Dobbs 23rd Augt. 1781.

Parole Jersey CoSyn (Amboy
(Trenton

Officer of the day tomorrow, Captn. Ricky.

It is truly mortifying to the Coll. to find that some of the soldiers under his command are so lost to all reason that he is obliged

to make use of publick chastisement to bring them to a sense of their duty, he therefore request that the soldierly will take warning by the punishment that now is to be inflicted on those who so justly deserve it and not be guilty of the like or any other misdemeanour which will force the Coll. to bring them to the like Punishment.

Hiram Caterline soldier in Capn. Baldwins Company, Robert Hartlock and Michael Cornelius of Captn. N. Blairicom's Company being tried for absenting themselves from Roll Call Jos. Cook of Capn. Baldwin's, Benjamin Bond of Captn. Ricky's, and Joseph Daily of Capn. Guild's Company being tried for firing their Guns without leave, all which Persons where found guilty by a Court Martial Whereof Captn. Jonas Ward was president, and Hiram Cataline, Robert Hartlock, Michael Cornelius, and Joseph Daily, was Ordered By said Court to receive fifty lashes each on the bare Backs.

Jos. Cook and Benjn. Bond where appointed to be tied up by one of their arms and have one Quart of cold Water poured down their Arms— The Coll. approves of the above sentences and Orders them to be put in Execution this Evening at the Usual time of Parade.

The Commandant thinks proper to Pardon Michael Cornelius, Jos. Daily, Jos. Cook, and Benjamin Bond, from the punishment that they where ordered to receive this Evening, and they are to return to their duty Accordingly.

Regimental Orders Dobbs Ferry Aug. 24th 1781.

Parole C. Syn (

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Officer of the day tomorrow.

The Adjutant is to warn a Regimental Court Martial whereof Captn Ralph Guild is to be president to sit at the presidents Quarters this Day at 9 OClock A. M. for trial of Prisoners now confined in the Quarter Guard.

The Officers of the Guards are to make report of their different Guards every Morning at Eight Oclock to the Officer of the day and he is to make report to the Commandant by 10 OClock A. M.

Robert Hadlock a soldier in Capn. Van Blaricom's Company having been tried for using abusive Language to the Officers and speaking very disrespectful of the Coll— By a Court Martial whereof Capn. Ralf Guild was president was found guilty, and was ordered by said Court to receive fifty Lashes on the bare Back— The Coll. approves of the above sentence and orders it executed this Evening at the usual time of Parade.

Regimental Orders, Camp Connecticut Farms Aug. 20.

Parole C. Syn (

Officer of the day tomorrow Capn.

A Court Martial to be warned to sit to morrow Morning at Nine OClock the president whereof is Capn. Guild to sit at the presidents Quarters.

Regt. Orders. Camp Farms Augt. 30th, 1781.

Parole C. Syn (

Sub. Serj. Corp. Pvt.

Officer of the day to morrow Capn. 1.. 1.. 2.. 20, horseman to be ready to go on Command to morrow at twelve OClock and a party of the like number to be ready at 12 OClock every Day until further orders— Detail for Guard to morrow —

Sub. Serj. Corp. Privt.

1.. 2.. 3.. 30

Fatigue 1.. 6..

Regt. Orders Camp Farms Sep. 81.

Adjutant is to warn a Court of inquiry to set this day at eleven oClock whereof Cap Jonas Ward is president to inquire into the Conduct of Doctor Jones and reason of his staying from the Regt.

At a Court of inquiry held to inquire into the Conduct of Dr. Timothy Jones whereof Capt. Jonas Ward was President the Court have acquitted him. Regt. Orders Sept. 3d. The Adjutant to warn a Court Martial to sit to morrow at nine OClock Capt Jonas Ward President to sit at the Presidents Quarters for the Tryal of Prisoners.

Regt. Orders Connecticut Farms Sep. 4th, 1781.

Parole C. Syn (

Officer of the Day tomorrow Capt. Samuel Fowler of Cap Wards Company having been tryed by a Court Martial, Whereof Cap Ward was President, for breaking into a House the Charge not being supported the Court have acquitted him. —

S S C P

Detail for Guard to morrow 1.. 2.. 3.. 39

Regimental Orders Sept. 6th.

The Adjutant to warn a Regt. Court Martial to sit to morrow at Nine OClock Capt. Seudder to be President to sit at the Presidents Quarters for the Tryal of Prisoners.

Regimental Orders. Camp Farms Sep. 7.

Parole C. Sign (

Officer of the Day to morrow Capt. Coward.

The Officers commanding Companies are to turn out all the men of their respective Companies, that are not taught the manual Exercise properly, every morning at 10 oClock to learn it with a Sergeant or Corporal to attend them and the whole to be under the inspection of the Sergeant Major— the Order of the 30th of Augt. for turning out a Command Dailey is discontinued.

Henry Linington Sergt of Cap Seudders Company having been tryed for absenting himself without leave, by a Court Martial whercof Cap Seudder was President, pleads Guilty and was sentenced to be reduced to the Ranks.

Richard Harris of Capt. Craigs Company was tryed by said Court for sleeping on his post, pleads guilty and is sentenced to receive fifteen lashes on the bare Back.

The Coll. approves the afforesaid sentences and orders them to be executed this Evening on Parade.

Richard Harris abovementioned after being stripped to receive his Punishment, was pardoned by the Coll.

Regt. Orders Connec. Farms, Sept. 8, 1781.

Parole Rawdon. C. Sign. (Christeen
(Jersey

Officer of the Day to morrow Capt. Guild.

The Adjutant to warn a Court Martial to set this Day for the Tryal of Prisoners.

Lieut Williams
President

John Clark a soldier in Capt Seudders Comp'y being tryed for Desertion & Disobedience of Orders was found Guilty and sentenced to receive one Hundred lashes on the bare Back.

The Coll. approves the above sentence and Orders it put in execution this Evening.

The afforesaid Jno. Clark After receiving thirty lashes was pardoned the remainder by the Collonel.

Orders of Sept. 9th, 1781.

The Adjutant to warn a Court Martial to sit to morrow morning at nine o'clock Capt Coward President, for the tryal of Prisoners, to set at the Adjutant's Quarters.

Regt. Orders Camp Farms Sept. 10, 1781.

Parole C. Sign (

Officer of the Day to morrow Capt. John Scudder

At a Court Martial held this day Sergt John Cruse was tryed for disobedience of Orders and aiding and assisting in a Mutiny, the first part of the Charge being supported, he was sentenced to appear on the parade and ask Capt. Gilliam's pardon and Return to his Duty.

The Commandt approves of the above Sentence and Orders it executed this Evening.

The afforesaid Jno. Croes Sergt in Capt Gillams Company appeared upon the parade and Comply'd with the Sentence.

Regt. Orders Connec. Farms, Sept. 11, 1781.

Parole C. Sign (

Officer of the Day to Morrow Capt Doremus

Henry Fitzgerald Sergt. in Capt Baldwins Comp was tryed for Desertion, and Jeremh. Britton Corp in Capt Scudders Compy, for Disobedience of Orders, by a Court Martial whereof Capt Coward was President, was found Guilty and Sentenced to be reduced to the ranks.

The Commandt. approves of the above sentences and Orders them reduced accordingly.

Regt. Orders Sep. 12th, 1781.

Parole C. Signs (

Officer of the Day to morrow Capt Ward.

The Guards for the futer, that are to relieve those at Tremblers Point, and Eliz. Town, are to have their packs on and be ready to march of the Parade to Releive their respective guards without halting. The flour Guard to be releived with three men which are allso to march of at the same time.

Regt. Orders Sept. 13, 1781.

Parole Stark. C. Signs (Hathway
(Brown)

Officer of the day Capt Gray.

The Orders against the Soldiers lodging out of Camp has frequently been read, nevertheless numbers lodge out without leave. The Comt. once more strictly forbids any Soldier staying out of Camp later than Dark for the fute, and any one taken so Offending shall suffer for Disobedience of Orders A fatigue party to Turn out to morrow when the Guards are releived to consist of one Sergt, 10 Privates to attend at the adjutants Quarters.

Regt. Orders Connecticut Farms 14 Sept. 1781.

Parole C. Sign (
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Officer of the Day to morrow Capt. —

The adjutant to warn a Court Martial to set this Day at 10 Oklock, Capt Seudder president. To set at the Presidents Quarters for the Tryal of Prisoners.

John Vanoton Corpe in Cap Fremans Compy being tryed by a Court Martial Whereof Capt Seudder was President for abusing and suffering a Party under his Command to abuse Abm Clark Esqr. was found guilty and Sentenced to be reduced to the Ranks.

The Coll. aproves the above sentence and he is reduced accordingly.

Camp Connecticut Farms Sept. 24, 1781.

A Court Martial held this day whereof Capt Ralph Guild was President, for tryal of John Reed, Soldier in Capt Rieke's Company, for Forgery and desertion, the Court found him guilty of both Charges and sentence him to receive Thirty nine lashes on the bare back.

The Coll. approves of the above sentence, and Orders it Executed this Evening at the Usual time of Parade.

The Prisoner having Received Thirty four lashes the Commadt pardoned him the remainder.

Regt. Orders Camp Farms 26 Sept. 1781.

The Commandt is unhappy to find that the Soldiers under his Command are frequently Burning rails which is a Wanton Destruc-tion of the inhabitants property, and any soldier considering it would certainly know it.— The Comdt therefore forbids any such Destruction for the future and any soldier so Offending shall suffer

accordingly— it is likewise enjoined on the Officer to take notice that no such Outrages are Committed. And if any Person is caught so offending they are to Confine him that he may be punished.

Sept. 27, 1781.

Officers Commanding Companies, are to make returns of the number of men they have from the different Regt. and Countys, in Order to enable the Comdt to make returns to the Governor.

Regt. Orders Camp, 2 Octr. 1781.

Parole C. Signs (

Officer of the Day to morrow Capt Craig—

The Light Horseman are to parade on foot every morning and Evening on the Right of the Regt The Adjutant to warn a Court Martial whereof Capt Craig is president to set at the Presidents Quarters to morrow at nine OClock to consist of five members for the tryal of sundry prisoners confined.

At a Court martial held this 3d day of Sept. Capt Craig President, James Reed Sergt in Leuit Randolph's Company was tryed for making a false Alarm on the Lines and found Guilty and Sentenced to be Reduced to the Ranks & Receive Fifty lashes on the bare back.

Richd Reed Inhabitant was tryed for making a false alarm on the lines and found Guilty and Sentenced to receive fifty lashes on the bare back.

John Inyard from Middlesex County being tryed for making a false Alarm on the Lines by a Court Martial was found guilty and sentenced to Receive One Hundred lashes on the bare back.

The Commdt Approves the foregoing Sentences and Orders them Executed this Evening at the Usual Time of Parade.

James Reed Sergt was reduced and the Commdt Pardoned him his Punishment.

Richd Reed Inhabitant being stripped the Coll Pardoned him.

John Inyard received his Punishment agreeable to his Sentence.

Camp Farms 5th Octr. 1781.

At a Court Martial held this Day Capt. Scudder President, — John Foy Soldier in Capt Freemans Company being tryed for stealing a piece of Linnen from an inhabitant was found Guilty and Sentenced to receive fifty lashes on the bare back.

Camp Farms 6th Octr. 1781.

John Foy Soldier in Capt Freemans Company being tryed by a Court Martial this Day, whereof Capt Guild was President, for stealing several Musquets was found Guilty and Sentenced to receive one hundred lashes on the bare back. The Coll approves of the above sentences and orders them Executed this Evening at the Usual time of Parade.

The said Foy received One Hundred and fifty lashes agreeable to his Sentence.

Regt. Orders Camp Farms 8th Octr. 1781.

Parole C. Signs (

Officer of the Day Capt. Guild.

The Officers Commanding Companies of three months Men are to return lists of the non Commissioned Officers and Privates with the Day of the Month they joined against their Respective Names, to the Commdt. to morrow.

A party Consisting of 1.. 1.. 1.. & 22 to be ready to march to morrow by two OClock P. M. with two Days Provision the Subaltern to be appointed by the Commdt.

Regt. Orders Camp Farms 9 Octr. 1781.

Parole C. Sign (

Officer of the Day to morrow Capt—

One Sergt and Six Privates to be ready to go on Command to morrow morning at 10 OClock.

Regt. Orders Farms Oct. 10, 1781.

Parole C. Sign (

Officer of the Day to Morrow Capt.

One Sub. One Sergt. & twenty Privates to be ready to go on Command to morrow by twelve OClock and the Sub is to attend at the Commdt Quarters when ready to march to receive Orders.

Regt. Orders 13 Octr. 1781.

The Adjutant is to warn a Court Martial to set to morrow at 9 oClock. Capt. John Stokes President to set at the Presidents Quarters for the tryal of Prisoners Confined in the Main Guard.

Felty Koonts soldier in Capt Israel Rickee's Company having been tryed by a Court Martial whereof Capt John Stokes was

President for stealing a Watch from Robt Wade Esqr. was found Guilty and Sentenced to receive One Hundred lashes on the bare back.

The Commdt Approves the above sentence and Orders it Executed this Evening on Parade.

The above Felty Koonts Received his Punishment Agreeable to his Sentence.

Garrison Orders, Newark Nov. 3d, 1781.

Countersigns (Beef
(Bread

Alarm Post Court House

The Ensign takes the earliest Oppertunity of informing the soldiers under his Command of the Necessity of Observing the Strictest Dicipline. the precarious situation we are in & the many Charges allready Exhibited against us tender it absolutely Necessary, not only to Retrieve our lost Character, but for the Preservation of the Town & ourselves. He therefore strictly Commands & enjoins it upon the Troops to attend Roll Call exactly morning & evening. and Obey the Commds of their Superior Officers— any Person absenting himself from Roll Call without a sufficient Excuse or Previous Permission being Obtained & any Person Disobeying the Commands of any Superior Officer may Depend on being sent to Eliz—Town & undergo the Sentence of a Court Martial. Permission will be given to two Persons to be absent at a Time.

Garrison Orders— Nov. 4, 1781.

Countersign (Gen. Washington
(Gen. Green

Alarm Post. — Nath Pierson's

Garrison Orders Nov. 5th 1781.

C. Sign (Monday
(Tuesday

Alarm Post. — Nath Piersons

The Troops are possitively Commanded not to appear on Parade without Arms for the futer. They are likewise Commanded to be on the Parade exactly at the Time the Troop or Retreat is done Beating. that the parade may not be Detained. Those soldiers who have no Arms are to provide themselves as soon as possible. those that want Repairing are to get them Repaired imediately. And all are to Clean their Armas by Roll Call this Evening.

Garrison Orders Nov. 6 1781.

C. Sign (

Alarm Post. the Cross Roads by Andersons

Garrison Orders Nov. 7, 1781.

C. Signs (Wood
(Candles

Alarm Post the Academy

The Ensign is sorry to find that the Orders of the fifth is so little attended to— which Commanded the Men to have their Arms cleaned by Roll Call. He again Repeats it, and hopes that no person will appear on Parade this Evening, without having his Arms cleaned, & in the best of Order, as they may expect punishment for a breach of this Commnd. He has likewise observed that there is such a continual noise on Parade that no Orders can be heard or Commands Executed. he therefore Requests that the Troops will refrain from such an unsoldierlike practice & trusts the soldiers for the future will observe the strictest silence during Parade.

Garrison Orders Nov. 8th 1781

C. Signs (Green
(Lincoln

Alarm Post. near Coll Wards

Garrison Orders Nov 9th 1781

C Signs (Baron
(Stuben

Alarm Post on the Height above Capt Nichols

Garrison Orders Nov 10th 1781

C. Signs (Wayne
(Green

Alarm Post on the Height by Isaac Allings

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 11 1781

C. Signs (Orange
(Pompton

Alarm Post—On the Height by Abram Wards

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov. 12 1781

C. Signs (Cortlandt
(Ward

Alarm Post Court House

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 13 1781

C. Signs (Washington
(Lincollen

Alarm Post — near Squir Banks

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 14 1781

C. Signs (Craig
(Scudder

Alarm Post on the Height by Isaac Allings

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 15 1781

C. Signs (Orange
(Providence

Alarm Post — the Academy

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 16

C. Signs (New
(Town

Alarm Post — Church

Sergt Roberts having engaged a Man to serve as a Soldier in his place. The Ensign has appointed Corp Nathe Bond to serve as a Sergeant & Joseph Shipman as a corporal and the soldiers are hereby Commanded to treat them as such.

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 17 1781

C. Signs (London
(Paris

Alarm Post — near Coll. Wards

The Horsemen are Commanded to attend parade exactly Morning & Evening for the futer.

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 18 1781

C. Signs (
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Alarm Post near Capt Nichols's

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 19 1781

C. Signs (
(

Alarm Post. the Academy

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 20 1781

C. Signs (Ward
(Hays

Alarm Post by Andross's

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 21 1781

C. Sign (Ely

(Coward

Alarm Post by Isaac Allings

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 22 1781

C. Signs (Stirling

(

Alarm Post — Academy.

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov. 23 1781

C. Signs (Pumpton

(Harlin

Alarm Post Esq. Banks

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 24 1781

C. Signs (Boston

(Charlestown

Alarm Post — Church

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 25 1781

C. Signs (Newark

(New York

Alarm Post — Court House

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 26 1781

C. Signs (

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Alarm Post Court House

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 27 1781

C. Signs (

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Alarm Post by Isaac Allings

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 28 1781

C. Signs (

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Alarm Post Church

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 29 1781

C. Signs (York

(Gloucester

Alarm Post Squir Banks

Garrison Orders N. A. Nov 30 1781

C. Signs (Newark

(Newberry

Alarm Post Academy

Garrison Orders N. A. Dec 1 1781

C. Sign (Cornwallis
(Clinton

Alarm Post Court House

Garrison Orders N. A. Dec 2

C. Signs (Charlestown
(Savannah

Alarm Post Allings

Garrison Orders N. A. Dec 3 1781

C. Signs (Charles
(George

Alarm Post Church

Garrison Orders N. A. Dec 4 1781

C. Signs (
(

Alarm Post Allings

TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS.

Old Graveyard, at Greenville, Jersey City, Hudson Co., N. J.

Located at the Lehigh Valley R. R. Bridge, over the Morris Canal, opposite E. 52nd St. & Ave. E. Bayonne, N. J.

Copied by John Neafie, New York City, July 3rd, 1910.

1. James Thomson, a Native of Scotland, died March 15—1821 or 1824— (Dim and uncertain) aged 29 years. Foot stone. J. T.

2. Ann S. Craig, wife of Phillip E. Muhlenberg, born at New York, Feb. 22—1784—died here. Oct. 6—1830—foot stone, A. S. C.

3. Ephigenia Craig, born Aug. 5—1780, died Jan. 30—1866 foot stone—E. C.

4. Andrew Hamilton, born at Greathill near Strathaven, Scotland, died at New York, May—1832—aged 33 years. foot stone —A. H.

5. Mungo Currie, born at Strathaven, Scotland, died at New York, May 1—1840, aged 48 yrs. foot stone, M. C.

6. Robert Thomson, born at Laigh Side near Strathaven, Scotland, died here, Dec. 24—1841—aged 73 years Foot stone, R. T.

7. Barrie Anna, born Meh. 4—1846—died May 11—1851.

“And Jesus called a little child unto him.”

Foot stone marked — B. A.

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JOSEPH KING'S CERTIFICATE.

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions held at Morris town on & for the County of Morris on the third Tuesday of December A. D. 1782.

Present Benjamin Halsey John Stiles John Brookfield Benj. Lindsly Will Woodhull Stephen Day Ab Kitchel.

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Joseph King late Adjutt. of the fourth Jersey Regiment in Service of the United States. & Two Certificates were presented to the Court, the first was in the words & figures following
Viz.

The Subscribers at the request of Mr. Jos. King certify that in the year 1777 he held the office of Adjutant to the fourth Jersey Regiment to approbation, that in the action of the Short hills he was wounded & made prisoner, that in consequence of some severe treatment after he was taken his wound hath tendered him in great measure disqualified from active employment, that in consequence of his being wounded & prisoner he was deranged in the Year 1779. The Subscribers do therefore earnestly recommend the Said Mr. Joseph King to an appointment in the Corps of Invalids, if it should not interfere with the established system & regulations of the Army.

Jersey Huts April 16th. 1782. Signed by Elias Dayton Coll. 2nd. Regt. Jersey. M Ogden Col. 1st. Regt. Francis Barber Lt. Coll. 1st Regt. J. N. Commine Lt. Coll. 2nd. N Jersey Andw. Hunter Chaplain N Jersey Brigade Jer Ballard Captn. Samuel Kendoy Capt 2nd. Jer Regt. Nathl. Bauman Capt 2d Reg Jer. Wm. Helms Capt. 2nd. Regt. Jer. Saml. Holmes Capt 2nd. Regt. Jer. Abm Appleton Lieut. 2nd. do. Benjn. Osmon Lieut. 2nd. do. T Rhea Lt. 2nd. do. Ab Stout Lt. 2nd. do. Geo. Mead Capt 2d Jer R. John Holmes Capt. 1st. Jer. Regt. Jno. Reed Lieut. do. Eph. Darby Lt. & QrM.

John Blair Lt. 1st do Will Shute Ensn. 2nd. do. Jacob Harris Surgn.
Mate 1st. do.

the 2nd. Certe. was as follows

We the Subscribers having examined Mr. Joseph King are of opinion that in consequence of a Wound which he received June the 26th. 1777 — & subsequent Confinement & treatment while a prisoner that he is thereby disqualified from obtaining a livelihood by Laborious employments; that he is justly intitled to the Provision made for disabled Officers, & that his present condition therefrom is as bad as the loss of a limb Sign'd John Cockran Director of the Military Hospitals Chas. McKnight Phyn.

The Court having considered the Said Certife. are of opinion that the Said Joseph King is entitled to his half pay from the time of his Derangement Viz. the first day of February 1779 — and do Order the Clk. to make out a Certificate accordingly

} Justices

HIRAM HOWARD'S CERTIFICATE.

At a Court last mentioned

Application was made to the Court in favour of Hiram Howard a wounded Soldier of Capt Halls Comy of Coll. Spencers Regt. & a certificate was presented in the words & figures following Viz.

I do hereby certify that Hiram Howard Served as a Soldier in my Company in Coll Spencers Regt. in the three months Service, and received a wound in his ankle at ash swamp which has rendered him unable to Support his family. Witness my hand this fourth day of November 1782. (Signd)

Josiah Hall Capt

Also another Certificate in the words & figures following Viz.

These may Certify that Hiram Howard Served as a Soldier in Coll. Spencers Regiment of three months men in the Beginning of 1777 & in the 23 day of the month of Feby. in said Year the said Howard received a wound in his Ankle which has rendered him unable for Service and no doubt entitled him to Such relief as is made & provided in Such cases.

Morris County December 5th. 1782.

(Signd) Eleazr Lindsly Lt. Coll.

The Court having considered the said Certificates are of opinion that the said Hiram Howard is justly intitled to his half pay from

the Said 23rd. day of February 1777 & do order a Certificate to be made by the Clk. accordingly.

} Justices

ABIGAIL MINTHORN'S CERTIFICATE.

At a Court of General Quarter Session held at Morris Town in & for the County of Morris on the Third Tuesday of December AD 1782

Present as before

Application was again made to the Court in favour of Widow Abigail Minthorn for the half pay of her deceased husband alledging that the Certificates & order Issued from this Court on the Third Tuesday of March last, is lost

The following Certificate was presented to the Court Viz I hereby certify that the late Phillip Minthorn died a Serjeant inlisted for the war in the 1st. Jer Regt. dated Bottle Hill December 20th. 1782

Math Ogden Coll.

N. B. He died 23rd. december 1780.

(Signd)) M Ogden Col.

An Affidavit was also presented to the Court in the Words and figures following Viz. Personally appeared before me Stephen Day one of the Justices of the peace for the County of Morris George Minthorn and being duly Sworn Saith that the Said Minthorn was present & Saw Phillip Minthorn deed. Lawfully married to Abigail Minthorn & that She Abigail was his lawfull wife at his decease and farther Saith not

Sworn before me this 20th day of December 1782

Stephen Day

George Minthorn

Another Affidavit was also presented to the Court in the words following Viz.

Morris County State of N. Jersey. Personally appeared before me William Woodhull one of the Justices of the Peace in & for the Said County of Morris Jacob Minthorn & being duly Sworn deposeeth & Saith that Abigail Minthorn is now the widow of Phillip Minthorn who died inlisted for the war in the first Jersey Regt.

Sworn before me the Twentyeth
day of December 1782 ..

} Jacob Minthorn
Signed Wm. Woodhull

The Court having considered the Same are of opinion that She the Said Abigail Minthorn is entitled to the half pay of her deceased Husband & do order the Clerk to make out a Certificate accordingly

JEMIMA RICHARD'S CERTIFICATE.

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions held at the Court House in Morris Town in & for the County of Morris on the Twentiyeth day of March in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & eighty three

Present

John Carle	} Esqrs. Judges	Danl. Cooper	} Esqrs. Justices
David Thompson		John Brookfield	
Benjamin Halsey		Benj. Lindsly	
Jonn. Stiles		Joseph Wood	
Abrm. Kitchell		Steph Day	
Will Woodhull		Jas Minthorn	

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Heirs of Jemima Richards Widow of Samuel Richards late a Serjeant of Coll. Oliver Spencers Regt. in Service of the United States — and the following Certificates was presented to the Court. Viz

These are to Certify that Samuel Richards Serjeant of my Company in the Standing army was Kiled at the Battle of Brandiwine on the Eleventh of Septemr. in the year one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Seven

as Witness my hand (Signd) David Lyon Capt
in Colonel Oliver Spencers Regiment

The above named Samuel Richards was a Serjt. in my late Regt. was kiled at the action of Brandiwine September 11th. 1777 as above mentioned Oliver Spencer late Coll.
Mendham March 19th. 1783

Also an Affidavit was presented to the Court in the words & figures following Viz

Personally appeared before me Joseph Wood Justice of the peace for the County of Morris Daniel Cory of full age & made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he Saw Sam Richards & Jemimah Genung Lawfully Married in either November or December in the year one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Six & enlisted in the Service of the United States in the fore part of the year 1777 (& was kiled in the battle of Brandiwine Sepr. 11th. in Said year as appears by the Captains Certificate)

This deponant farther Saith the Said Jemimah lived Samuel Richards widow three Years one month & Eleven days further Saith not

Sworn before me this 17.. Day of March 1783

Joseph Wood

Daniel Cory

The Court having read & Considered the said Certificate & Affidavit are of opinion that the Widow Jemima Richards was entitled to the half pay of her Said Deceased Husband for the afore mentioned term of three Years one month & Eleven days

SARAH WOODS'S CERTIFICATE.

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions of the peace held at the Court house in Morris town in & for the County of Morris on the First Tuesday of July in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & Eighty three

Present

John Carle
David Thompson
Benju. Halsey
Jonn. Stiles
Abm. Kitchel
William Woodhull

Esqrs. Judges

Daniel Cooper
John Brookfield
Benj. Lindsly
John J. Faish
Aaron Kitchel
Benj. Howel
& Jas. Minton

Esqrs. Justices

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Sarah Wood widow of Isaac wood Deed. for the half pay of her Deceased husband who died a Soldier in the first Jersey Regt. the 27th. of Sepr. 1781.... and Certificates were presented to the Court in the words and figures following viz 1st.

Morris Town

Morris County

Ss : We the Subscribers Inhabitants of the Township and County aforesaid do Certify that we were acquainted with a certain Isaac Wood Soldier in the first Regiment of Jersey and that we know him to be a native of this place and an inhabitant thereof at the time of his inlistment

Jonathan Stiles

Stephen Conkling

January 15th. 1783....

John Hinds

2nd. I Certify that the above mentioned Isaac Wood Soldier in the first Regt. of Jersey died in the Service of the United States in Camp at Williamsburgh Virginia, on the 27th. day of September 1781. and that I esteemed him as an Honest good Soldier

Ephr Darby Lt.

January 15th. 1783

and Qr. Master

3rd. This may Certify whom it may concern that I Married the within mentioned Isaac Wood to Sarah Whitenack in the year 1776 Witness my hand this 20 day of Jany. 1783

Jonath. Stiles Justice of peace

4th. I do hereby certify that Sarah Wood within mentioned is now the Widow of the aforesaid Isaac Wood the date above

Jona. Stiles

The Court having read & Considered the sd. Certificates are of opinion that the Said Widow Sarah Wood is intitled to the half pay of her deceased husband from the 27th. day of September 1781 during her widowhood

Given under our hands & the Seal of the said Court at Morris town aforesaid this third day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & eighty three

John Carle

Benj. Halsey

Ab. Kitchel

RACHEL CHANNEL'S CERTIFICATE.

Decemr. 7th 1783.

Application was made to the Court of General Quarter Sessions in favour of Rachel Channel widow of John Channel to obtain an adjudication for her Husbands halfpay....

Present

David Thomson

Benj. Halsey

Jonath. Stiles

Abrah. Kitchel

William Woodhull

Esqrs. Judges

Danl. Cooper Junr. }

John Brookfield }

Elijah Horton }

Joseph Wood }

William Ross }

Jacob Gould }

Esqrs. Justices

The following Certificates & Affidavits were presented to the Court Viz.

I do hereby Certify that John Channel Said to be deed. was an enlisted Soldier in Capt David Lyons Company in my Regt. for during the War; and that he was taken prisoner by the British between Boundbrook & Brunswick on the 1st. day of June 1777 after making a Gallant Defence under Lt. Martin of my Reg. who was kiled at the Same time and said Channel was said to Remain a prisoner with the Enemy one full year after he was made Prisoner.

Camp May 15th. 1780

To whom it may concern

Oliver Spencer Col.

2nd. We do Certify that Rachel Channel of the Township of Mendham County of Morris & State of New Jersey is now living & was the lawfull Wife & we believe is real widow of John Channel Deed. December 13th. 1783.

Witness that saw them Jacob Doty Overseer of poor married Seth Babbit Justice peace
James Wilkisson Will Hulbard

3rd. Morris County Ss : Personally appeared before me Benjamin Halsey one of the Justices of the peace for said County Benjamin Halberd & being duly sworn Saith that he Saw Rachel Halberd married to the above named John Channel & that Serjeant Reed of the same Company in which the said John was enlisted told this deponant that the Said John Died in New York about one year after he was taken which this deponant verily believes to be the Case & that the Said Rachel was the lawfull wife and is the real Widow of the Said John Channel.

Sworn the 13th. day of

July 1780 before me

Benj. Halburd

Benj. Hallsey J. P.

The Court having considered the s. Certificates & Affidavit are of opinion that the said Rachel Channel is intituled to the half pay of her deceased husband from the first day of June 1777 to this day & do order the Clerk to make out Certificate accordingly

HANNAH PRICE'S CERTIFICATE.

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions held at Morris Town in and for the County of Morris on the Fourth Tuesday of September in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & eighty four.

Present

John Carle	} Esqrs. Judges	Benjamin Lindsly	} Esqrs. Justices
Benj. Hallsey		Joseph Wood	
Jon. Stiles		John Brookfield	
Ab. Kitchell		Aaron Kitchel &	
& Will Woodhull		Will Ross	

Application was made to the Court in behalf of the Widow of Samuel Price also in behalf of his Child And Certificates was produced in the words & figures following Viz.

1st. This may Certify that Samuel Price a Six months Soldier from the County of Morris belonged to my Company in the first

Regiment Jersey in the Year 1780 and was drowned in Crossing the North River on our way to Westpoint Some time in October in the above Year

September 28th. 1784

Wm. Pratt Late Capt. Sd. Regt.
M. Ogden late Col.
late 1st. Jer Regt.

2nd. We the Subscribers two of the Justices of the Peace in the County of Morris residing in the Township of Hanover do Certify that Hannah Price was the Lawfull wife of Samuel Price and that she was His real widow untill her Marriage with Thomas Cobb in the beginning of November 1783 and that She hath her legal residence in the Township of Hanover aforesaid and that she had at the time of the Death of the said Samuel Price one Child of six months old which is yet living — — Hanover September 30, 1784 Morris County

Aaron Kitchel
Benjn. Howell

The Court having read & Considered the said Certificates do adjudge that the said Hannah Price (now Hannah Cobb) is intitled to the half pay of her Deceased Husband (Samuel Price) from the First day of November one thousand seven hundred & eighty to the first day of November AD. one thousand Seven hundred and eighty three

SARAH HATHEWAY'S CERTIFICATE.

December Term 1784.....

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions held at the Court House in and for the County of Morris on the Third Tuesday of December in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & eighty four.

Present

Benjn. Hallsey	} Esqrs. Judges	Benjn. Lindsly	} Esqrs. Justices
Jonathn. Stiles		John Brookfield	
Willm. Woodhull		Willm. Ross.	
		Ebenr. Tuttle	

Application was made to the Court in behalf of Sarah Hatheway Widow of Joseph Hatheway Decd. for the half pay of her Deceased Husband. And the following Certificates & affidavits were produced.....

1st. I Hereby certify that in the Beginning of the Campaign of

1776 I enlisted Joseph Hatheway of Morris County Bloomer, a Matross in the Corps of Artillery commanded by Captn. Daniel Neil, of which I was Captain Lieutenant — That the said Hatheway was detached under my immediate command until about the Month of August in the above Year, when he was Seized with a Dissentary, a Disorder then very prevalent in Camp of which he died — that the said Hatheway whilst in Service behaved as an Honest & faithfull Soldier

Given under my Hand this 27th. of November 1784

(Signd)

Jno Doughty Major

Comdt. West Point

Personally appeared before me Benjamin Lindsly Justice of the peace in the County of Morris the above John Doughty who being duly Sworn deposeth & Saith that the above Certificate is Just & true in all its contents. & further Saith not.

(Signd) John Doughty

Sworn before me this

25th. November 1784

}

Benj. Lindsly

2nd. These may Certify that Joseph Hatheway & Sarah Lyon were on the 15th. of November 1753 legally Joined in the Holy Banns of matrimony both being of Morris Town in the County of Morris New Jersey, & before Witness pronounced Man & wife. Testified by Timo. Johnes Clk.

Hanover

Morris County Ss: }

Personally appeared this day before me Benjamin Hallsey one of the Justices of the Peace for said County Sarah Hatheway who being duly sworn deposeth & Saith that she is now the Widow of Joseph Hatheway Deceased & further Saith not.

Sworn before me this 23rd. Decemr. 1784

Benjn. Hallsey JP.

her

Sarah X Hatheway

mark

The Court having taken the Same into consideration do adjudge that the Said Sarah Hatheway Widow of Joseph Hatheway deceased is intitlled to the half pay of her Deceased Husband from the thirty first day of August Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy six to thirtyeth day of November one thousand Seven hundred & Eighty four — & do order the Clerk of this Court to make out a Certificate for that Purpose

Jona. Stiles.

Benj. Hallsey

Benj. Lindsly

DEBORAH MINTHORN'S CERTIFICATE.

At the Court aforesaid Viz December 1784.....

Application was made to the Court in behalf of the Widow Deborah Minthorn & the following Certificate & Affidavit was produced Viz

I hereby Certify that William Minthorn was an enlisted Soldier for the war in the first J Regt. and that he was killed at the Siege of York Town in October 1781

Elizth. Town	}	M Ogden late Col.
Nov. 12th. 84		late 1st. Jer Regt.
State of N Jersey		

Morris County } Personally appeared before me Seth Babbit one of the Justices of the peace for said County Capt Libbeus Dodd & being duly sworn deposeth and Saith that he Dod was Present And saw Deborah Dod now Deborah Minthorn Joined in the bands of Marriage to William Minthorn and that the said Deborah is now the Widow of the said Minthorn & farther saith not.....

Sworn this Twentyeth day of December in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & eighty four
before me

Seth Babbit

Libbeus Dodd

The Court having Considered the said Certificate & Affidavit are of opinion that she the said Deborah Minthorn is intituled to the half pay of her Deceased Husband Will Minthorn from the time of her Husbonds Death Viz. the 18th. day of October AD. one thousand and Seven hundred & eighty one

MARY BELL'S CERTIFICATE.

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions held at the Court house in Morris Town in and for the County of Morris

Present

Jonath Stiles, Abraham Kitchel, Will Woodhull, I J Faish, John Starke & Eleazer Lindsly Esquires

Application Was made to the Court in favour of Mary Case late Widow of Jabez Bell Junr. — and the 3. following Certificates & an affidavit were presented (& Read) in the words and figures following Viz.

1st. This is to Certify that Jabez Bell Junr. was a Corporal

in my Company of Militia in Col. John Starkes Battalion and was killed at an Alarm in the County of Bergen on the thirtyeth day of September one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy eight. Given under my hand July first 1786....

Nathan Luse Captain

2nd. This is to Certify that Jabez Bell Junr. was killed in Bergen County at an Alarm on the thirtyeth day of September one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy eight. Given under my hand this first day of July 1786....

John Starke Lt. Col.

3rd. This may Certify, whom it may concern, that Jabesh Bell Junr. and Mary Heaton were lawfully Married to each other, by me. As Witness my Hand in the Township of Roxbury, County of Morris and State of New Jersey the 28th. day of June 1786

Wm. Woodhull

Morris County ss. Personally appeared before me John Starke one of the Justices for Said County Isaac Heaton being of full age & being duly Sworn deposeth and Saith that Mary Case was the Widow of Jabesh Bell Junr. (who was killed in the County of Bergen about the 30th. day of September 1778) untill the 19th. day of September 1780 when She was married to Samuel Case.

Sworn before me

Isaac Heaton

July 1st. 1786

John Starke

The Court having heard & considered the Said Certificates & affidavit are of opinion that the Said Mary Case Was the widow of the Said Jabez Bell Junr. from the thirtyeth day of September AD. one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy eight to the Nineteenth day of September A. D. one thousand Seven hundred and Eighty Viz one year eleven months and twenty days And is intituled to the half pay of her decd. Husband during that time

Given under our hand & Seal of the Court this fifth day of July In the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Eighty six.

(Signed) Jona. Stiles

Abm. Kitchel

Will. Woodhull

SARAH TURNER'S CERTIFICATE.

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace holden at Morristown in and for the County of Morris on the Seventeenth

day of December in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and eighty nine

Present

William Woodhull	}	Esquires
Silas Condict		
Samuel Tuthill		
David Thompson		
Alexander Carmicael		

Application being made to the Court in favour of Sarah Turner widow of Jarzel Turner deceased for her late husband's half pay — the following certificates and vouchers were presented & read Viz

N 1 I do Certify that Jarzel Turner was a Sergeant in my Regiment in the Continental service and behaved himself well whilst in service and that he died in July seventeen hundred & seventy seven

Given under my hand at Elizabeth Town this nineteenth day of Sepr. 1789

Oliver Spencer late Colonel

N 2. This may Certify that Jarzel Turner was a Sergeant in my Company in Col. Oliver Spencers Regiment in the late war and died in the service of the United States in July in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and seventy seven, and behaved himself as a Good Soldier — Witness my hand the Sixteenth of June AD 1789

Jonas Ward Capt

Morristown December 1789

N 3 I Certify that I returned Jarzel Turner one of the Sergeants in Capt Jonas Ward's company in Col Oliver Spencer's Regiment sick to the Hospital when the Regiment removed from Ramerpough sometime in the last of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven, and that he was afterwards reported to the Regiment as having died in the hospital near Pompton

Jabez Campfield Surgeon at the
time of said Regiment

N 4 State of Newjersey

Morris County ss. Be it remembered that on this day personally appeared before me Alexander Carmicael Esquire one of the Justices of the peace in and for the County of Morris Nathan Turner of full age and being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was well acquainted with Jarzel Turner deceased who was this deponents brother that he was a Sergeant in Captain Jonas Wards Company in Col. Oliver Spencers Regiment at the time of his

death — that he died when in the service of the United States on the night preceding the twenty ninth day of July in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and seventy seven and this deponent further saith not

Nathan Turner

Sworn the 27th day of June
AD 1789 before me

Alexander Carmicael

State of Newjersey Morris County ss. Be it remembered that on this day personally appeared before me Alexander Carmicael Esqr. one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Morris Samuel Turner of full age and being duly sworn deposeth and Saith that about thirty four years ago he was present at the Marriage of Sarah Holmes now the widow Turner to Jarzel Turner who died in the late war in Service of the United States that the said Sarah was married to the said Jarzel Turner by the Reverend Mr. John Parson a Minister of the Gospel that the said Sarah lived with the said Jarzel Turner as his lawfull wife from the marriage aforesaid untill the time of his death And that the said Sarah now remains the widow of the said Jarzel Turner as this deponent verily believed and as it is generally reported and further this deponent saith not

Samuel Turner

Sworn the 2d. day of July AD 1789
before me Alexander Carmicael

TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS.

Perry Cemetery, Harrington Park, New Jersey. (Ergen Co.)

Inscriptions copied by Joe. Elting Sloat in November, 1909.

1. Henry, son of Jos. & Hanna Perry d. 24 May 1867 ae. 13 yrs.
2. Rachel, dau. of Jos. & Hanna Perry d. 26 Mch. 1870 ae. 3 mos.
3. Hannah, dau. of David & Catherine Perry d. 3 Jan. 1871 ae. 37—10—22.
4. Perry, son of Nicholas & Catherine Ann Cole d. 4 Sept. 1867 ae. 1 yr. 1 mo.
5. David Perry d. 22 Apr. 1871 ae. 61 yrs. 5 mos.
6. Catherine Blauvelt his wife d. 23 Aug. 1894 ae. 81 yrs. 5 mos.
7. Rachel Perry d. 9 Aug. 1871 ae. 7 mos. 7 days.

Colonel Peter Schuyler at Albany.

BY JOSEPH F. FOLSOM.

Two documents relating to the services of Colonel Peter Schuyler of New Barbadoes on the Passaic, whose seat opposite the present Gouverneur street, Newark, was called Petersborough, have been presented to the New Jersey Historical Society by Dr. Robert Watts, of New York City, a descendant. The documents are testimonials to Schuyler, and to the officers and men of the New Jersey troops, who during the War of the Austrian Succession (1744—1748), sometimes called King George's War, were stationed at Albany, with an expedition to Canada in view.

Schuyler's appointment to command the New Jersey troops was recommended to President of the Council and Acting Governor John Hamilton by the Council of New Jersey sitting at Perth Amboy, on September 27, 1746, the Governor and four members, Robert H. Morris, Edward Antill, James Hude, John Coxe, being present. As the Governor had asked advice as to making an appointment and the board suggested Schuyler there is little room to doubt the matter was concluded that session. The minute records that he was "a gentleman well known to the several members of this board, of good estate and reputation and very proper to be by him (the Governor) commissioned for that purpose."

Already by the Assembly on Friday, June 27th, there had been passed an act authorizing the raising of five hundred men as New Jersey's quota of troops, the troops to include "freemen or well-affected Indians". Officers had gone out to "beat up" the volunteers, and had so well succeeded that on August 30 the first company had been embarked at Newark and had sailed down the Passaic the following day, September 1, under the command of Captain Campbell Stevens, enroute to Albany. With this company, according to the New York Post

Boy, September 15, 1746, went as private the debonnaire Tom Bell, who once impersonated the Rev. John Rowland and caused Rev. William Tennent a trial for perjury.

Two days later at Perth Amboy, September 3, four or five companies set sail for the same destination. So successful had been the beating up that Captain Edward Hart, of Hopewell, N. J., father of John Hart, the "Signer", was found to have a company of one hundred extra men with no provision for their support. Hart had spent "most of his estate" raising the men and for a time subsisting them. He appealed for relief and the Council sent him to the Governor of New York to offer the company to his establishment. Hart's men are said to have been "the most likely and able-bodied men that have been raised."

New Jersey excelled in patriotic zeal for the King's cause above all other colonies. She gave a bounty of six pounds to every man enlisting, and provided £10,000 to clothe and equip the troops. Unfortunately, if we are to credit the complaint of Alexander Miles, a private writing on November 15, 1746, from Albany, the commissioners provided guns "so rusted and rotten as not to be of the value of old iron", cutlasses that would "bend and stand bent like lead", and "stinking beef — twenty barrels whereof were at one time condemned by our officers." Miles deplored the grafting of the twelve appointed commissioners who received five per cent on all moneys expended, and thought that two persons could better have bought the supplies and have been paid a fair amount for their time and labor.

The date on which Colonel Schuyler assumed command of the New Jersey troops at Albany is not evident, but presumably he departed for Albany at an early date.

The Albany testimonial letters show that he, or his troops, were in the neighborhood thirteen months, four of which were spent at Saratoga, which would make their stay from early in September, 1746, to October, 1747. On November 19, 1747, Governor Belcher of New Jersey informed his Council that he had learned that Colonel Schuyler had ordered the disbanding

of the troops at Albany, which evidence with that of the letters goes to show that the troops returned in October, 1747.

The testimonial letters were written in January, 1748, though dated 1747, the year according to the old style of reckoning ending at April the twenty-fourth.

At the end of April, 1747, the New Jersey troops mutinied because of arrears in their pay. Schuyler on April 30, wrote a letter to President of the Council, John Hamilton, which he expressed by the hands of Captains John Dagworthy and Henry Leonard, giving an account of the mutiny. Schuyler had offered to pay the troops out of his private fortune, which generosity the New Jersey Council appreciated but thought would have caused also the troops of the other colonies at Albany to mutiny. The Council recommended patience and requested Schuyler to be guided by Governor George Clinton of New York, who was arranging to pay in part, on an equal basis, all the troops at Albany. Undeterred by the advice given Schuyler subsequently paid his men in full and incurred the rebuke of Clinton, who in a letter went on record as believing the withholding of pay discouraged desertions. New Jersey later reimbursed Schuyler at least in part.

The letters below make an interesting contribution to the history of the campaign of 1746 and 1747, especially as to Schuyler and the New Jersey troops. Evidently the mutiny of six months previously was not remembered against them unfavorably. Later chapters in Schuyler's soldier life are better known than the one now under consideration, which fact makes the letters peculiarly valuable.

The letters follow :

New Jersey January 16th, 1747.

May it please your Grace

His Majesty having been pleased to Disband the Troops Raised in this Province of New Jersey on The Late Intended Expedition Against Canada, We think it our Duty (In Justice to the Officers thereof that undertook to Serve his Majesty on that Occasion) to Inform your Grace, That Col. Peter Schuyler (who was appointed by this Government to Command those Troops as a Col.) has behaved himself to the Satisfaction of all the Branches of the Legislature here: and has Justly Meritted the Applause of the people of this Province in General. And that many of the other

Officers were in Good Business, and Left the same upon the hopes of being Continued in his Majesties Service; That in the Raising of the Troops, They Showed a becoming Zeal, and Completed their Companies with Extraordianry Dispatch, and at Very Great Expence to themselves. And while they were posted Near Albany, and at Sarraghtoga, they behaved with Resolution, and were Very assistant in Guarding the Frontiers of the Province of New York, as we Doubt not Mr. Clinton, (the Governor of that Province), will Inform your Grace.

As we are of his Majesties Council for this Province, And are well acquainted with most of the Officers who Engaged in that Expedition; and with the Zeal and Resolution with which they have acted, we begg leave to Recommend them to Your Grace, for Such marks of His Majesties Royal favour as their Services may be thought worthy of — We are

May it Please Your Grace

Your Grace's Most obedient and most Humble Servts.

Jas. Alexander, Robt. H. Morris, Jas. Hude, Andw. Johnston, Peter Kemble, Tho. Leonard.

To the Right Honourable His Grace the Duke of New Castle.

By Derrick Tenbrook Esqr. Mayor, the aldermen and Common Council of the City of Albany

To Peter Schuyler Esqr. and the officers under his Command belonging to the five New Jersey Companys of foot.

Greeting

We do by these presents convey to you and each of you the Hearty and Sincere thanks of this Corporation and the freeholders and freemen of the Same for the faithfull Discharge of your Duty in Guarding and Protecting this City from the attempts of the Enemy for nine months while you were posted in the neighbourhood of this Town and for your timely notice of the garison at Saraghtoga, and Bravely holding the Same under Great Disadvantages for nigh four months Last Summer

And as a publick Testimony of the Gratefull Sense we have of your services to the province of New York in General and to this City in particular we have caused our Publick Seal to be affixed to this Instrument and have hereunto Subscribed our names. The twelfth Day of February 1747/8

Direk Ten Broeck, Jacob Ct. Ten Eyck, Sybrant Goo Van Schaick, Gerret Vanness, John G. Roseboom, Jacob H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansing, Junr., Cornelis Maesen, Barent Ten Eyck, Johannes V. Douw, Eghbert Bret.
(Endorsement)

Compliment of the Mayor of Albany to Peter Schuyler & officers 12 Feb. 7, 1747/8

Caspar Steinmets and his Descendants.

BY P. H. HOFFMAN.

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Steinmets Genealogy.

From Caspar Steinmets and Jeannetje Gerritsen, immigrants, both born in Holland. (He as early as 1618 to 1620; she, probably 1620 to 1625).

Through their son Christoffel, born 1660; and his son Benjamin, born 1696; and his son Benjamin, born about 1725; and his daughter Rachel (Steymets) Fritts, born 1759; and her daughter Margaretta (Fritts) Hoffman, born 1785, to Philip H. Hoffman, born 1827, and his descendants to 1910.

1st. Gen. Caspar Steinmets, born in Holland about 1620, married 1652 to Jeannetje Gerritsen, born in Holland about 1625, their son

2nd Gen. Christoffel, born Dec. 19, 1660, in New Amsterdam, married 1684 to Jeannetje Gerrits, and married in 1699 to Sarah vanNest, children, (1st wife) Casparus, born 1686; Annetje, born 1688; Jeannetje, born 1691; Gerrit, born 1692; Judith, born 1694; Benjamin, born 1696, Ancestor of P. H. Hoffman. (2nd wife) Elizabeth, born 1700; Joanna, born 1707; Christopher.

Children married, — Casparus, 1st. Rachel Pieters Powlse (widow) June 6, 1713, and 2nd, Maritje Hendricksen, Aug. 1727.

Annetje, — Casparus VanNoostrand.

Jeannetje, Jacob VanNoostrand, Oct. 22, 1720.

Gerrit ———

Judith, — Herman VanRiper, 1721.

Benjamin, — 1st Sarah VanStee, 1720; 2nd, Sara Emans, 1730. Ancestor of the Hoffman family.

Elizabeth, — Jan Tomas VanRiper, 1730.

Joanna — Garabrandt Garabrantsen, 1731.

Christopher, — Treintje Coeyeman, June 1735.

(Historical.) — In 1711 Christoffel Steymets with seven others, relatives, pioneers and early settlers, named, Francis Post, Jan Sip, Hermanes Gerritsen, Thomas Van Riper, Cornelius Doremus, Pieter Powlse, and Hessel Pietersen, all of Acquackanonk, bought of the Proprietors for 660 pounds sterling, 2800 acres of land, running from the Great Falls to and over the Garret Mountain. The land was divided into tracts or farms of 10 chains in breadth, running from the river up to the Mountain. This was the first settlement in Little Falls, N. J. Christoffel Steymets purchased for himself of Gerrit G. Van Wagginge a plot of land in 1699, in Acquackanonk, with all the rights and privileges belonging to it. In 1716 and 1717 he was elected as elder in the Dutch Church at Hackensack and Acquackanonk, 1709, Oct. 22. He was executor of the estate of Abraham Bockee of Acquackanonk.

3rd Gen. Benjamin (son of Christoffel), born 1696, died 1762; married 1st. Sarah Anna VanStee, 1724, (she died soon after), and 2nd. Sara Emans, 1731.

Their children, —

(1) Christopher, born —, married Rachel Roome.

(2) John, born 1727, married, 1st, Elizabeth Taylor, 2d. Anna Van Riper.

(3) Peter, born —, died 1776; married Mary Dey, 1725.

(4) Benjamin, born about 1729; married 1st, — and 2nd, Margaret VonBoskirek, Aug. 2, 1752.

Their children, — Rachel, born Dec. 3, 1760, married Frederic Fritts, 1780. Mary, married Richard Hunt of N. Y. Margaret, married Peter Hendricksen of Brooklyn.

(Margaret VonBoskirek Steinmets died at Spruce Run, N. J., June 8, 1809, and is buried in the Lutheran Church Cemetery at that place. Head stone at her grave, Age 81 years, 2 days.)

(5) Thomas, born —, died —, married Margaret Williams.

(6) Garret, born —, died May, 1804, married Mary

(7) George, born —, died in battle at the storming of the heights of Quebec in 1774. Member of the State Militia in Capt. John Lamb's Co. of N. Y. State Regiment.

(8) Elenore, born —, married Cornelius Marschelluck.

(9) Hannah, born —, married Cornelius Speir, May 1768.

(10) Sarah, born —, married Andreas Peters, July 22, 1753.

(11) Caspar, born —, died in infancy.

(12) Frederic, born Mar. 7, 1747, married Anna Barre.

4th Gen. Benjamin 2nd, (son of Benjamin 1st), born 1729, died 1806; married Margaret Von Boskireck, their children, — Maria, Helena, Benjamin and Abigail, all died young; Rachel, born 1759 or 1760, married Frederic Fritts; Mary; Margaret.

5th Gen. Rachel (daughter of Benj. 2nd.) born Dec. 1760, died Apr. 15, 1821, married Frederic Fritts, their children, — Benjamin, born Nov. 11, 1781; William, born Jan. 25, 1783; Frederick S., born Oct. 22, 1786; Margaretta, born Jan. 25, 1785, mother of P. H. Hoffman; George, born Oct. 31, 1788; Rachel, born Jan. 24, 1791; Morris, born Jan. 2, 1793; Thomas, born 1796; Jacob, born Sept. 1799.

6th Gen. Margaretta (daughter of Rachel Steymets Fritts), born Jan. 25, 1785, died Jan. 24, 1830; married Capt. Henry I. Hoffman, Dec. 22, 1805; he died Dec. 14, 1864. Their children : —

Rachel, born Feb. 22, 1807; died Apr. 10, 1877.

John T., born Oct. 4, 1808; died July 28, 1898.

Elizabeth A., born Oct. 22, 1810; died July 20, 1894.

Jemima, born Nov. 22, 1812; died Feb. 1911.

Henry S., born Jan. 28, 1815; died Oct. 10, 1820.

Frederic F., born Feb. 12, 1817; died Oct. 22, 1820.

Margaretta, born Apr. 13, 1819; died Nov. 22, 1877.

Mary Ann, born Nov. 9, 1821; died Apr. 9, 1875.

Jacob D., born Jan. 24, 1824; died Feb. 9, 1910.

Philip H., born July 28, 1827. —

7th Gen. Philip H. Hoffman, born July 28, 1827, married March 12, 1851, to Barbara A. Byram, born March 12, 1829, died July 21, 1897; their children, —

Orlando K., born July 18, 1852; died Mar. 23, 1853.

Henry B., born Nov. 12, 1854.

Joseph R., born Sept. 17, 1857; died Dec. 11, 1893.

8th Gen. Henry Byram Hoffman, born Nov. 12, 1854, married Caroline I. Mulford, Nov. 4, 1880. Their children, —
Katrine M., born June 22, 1884.

Helen B., born June 9, 1887.

Joseph Reed Hoffman, born Sept. 17, 1857, died Dec. 11, 1893; married Emma L. Hard, Oct. 7, 1885. Their children,—

Agnes R., born July 15, 1886, in Morristown.

Armin S., born May 27, 1889, in Morristown.

Will.

The will of Gerrit Gerritsen (brother of Jeannetje Gerritsen, the wife of Caspar Steinmets.)

Will of Gerrit Gerritsen, jointly with his wife, Elizabeth Cornelison, given in part

(1) Bequeath to their heirs as follows : to the children of the Testator's sister Jeannetje Gerritsen Steynmets, wife of Caspar Steynmets, for their children, 1. Johannes, 2. Gerrit, 3. Antie, 4. Christoffel, 5. Orsolena, 6. Maritje, 7. Benjamin, seven in number, to have one-half of the estate.

(2) Bequeaths the other half to his other sister, Jessie (Gerritsen) Otto, for her daughter Elizabeth Otto. The testator describes himself as sick in body but clear in mind; and the testatrix as "coming and going." This will is Dated Wickes, Bergen Co. East New Jersey. Feb. 20, 1888.

Gerrit Gerritsen, and

Elizabeth (Cornelison) Gerritsen.

Witness, — Cornelius Durke.

Jans Barents.

Claus Barents.

Will of Johannes Steynmets, (son of Caspar 1st).

(1) Bequeaths his interest in the West India Company's farm in Bergen, N. J., to his wife Annetje (Jacobs VanWinkle) Steynmets, during her life time, and at her death to go to his nephew Jacob Prior, son of his sister Annetje (Steynmets) Prior.

He died in 1708; and the will was probated in New York.

Will.

Will of Peter Steymet:—Cartman, of the City and County of New York.

He makes his brother Benjamin, carpenter, and his brother Christoffel, merchant, his Executors of his last will and testament. Dated Dec. 6, 1766, in the seventh year of the reign of King George 3rd, by the Grace of God.

His executors conveyed to Andrew Hopper, of New York, for the sum of 300 dollars current money, a house and lot on Division Street, in New York, size of lot 25x77 feet, bound on east side by land conveyed to John Steymets by John Winne. In the rear Dirkes Dey lot No. 4 which was released from heirs, and Christopher and Benjamin Steymets, Executors. The same lot was conveyed to Peter Steymets by William Embrough and Elizabeth his wife in 1761.

The Executors, appeared and were qualified in 1766. See Liber 40, page 355, in Surrogate's Office, New York City.

Peter Steymets was son of Benjamin Steymets of Gravesend, L. I., and brother to Benjamin.

He was the ancestor of Mrs. Walsh, of Amenia, N. Y.

A synopsis of the Will of Jacob Steymets of the City of New York, occupation, shop-keeper. Dated April, 1739. Bequeathed to his wife Mary Steymets all his estate during her life time, or widowhood, and at her death or marriage, all to go to the children.

1st. To his eldest daughter Rachel Arden, and Amey Brown (having received a marriage portion) he provided a smaller portion than to his unmarried daughters Mary and Margaret. He appoints his beloved wife Mary his Executrix, together with his friend Frederic Steymets and his son-in-law Jacob Arden as Executors.

Nov. 5, 1789. Witnesses, B. Romaine.

John Newcombe.

Cornelius Ansulan.

In his lifetime he and his wife conveyed to Matthew West a house and lot 25 feet front and 77 feet deep on the Northeast side of Dey St., on June 26th, 1789. Liber 41, page 327, in New York Clerk's Office.

Will.

(On notice of settlement of Estate.)

Frederic Steymets of the City and County of New York, brother of John Peter, Christopher and Benjamin. Occupation, baker.

His wife Anna and Anthony Post were made administrators. Aug. 4, 1796, an order was made by the court to sell the property for expenses &c. Notice had been given and published March 2, 1796. In accordance with the above order the administrators sold and conveyed to William Palmer for \$2250., a house and lot with the bake-shop, situate on Nassau Street in New York, 25 ft. front by 96 feet deep, on the westerly side of the street, conveyance was made Jan. 24, 1800. Liber 49, p. 47. Surrogate's Office, New York.

Will.

Christoffel Steymets; Inspector of Wood, of the City and County of New York, son of Benjamin and Sarah Steymets of Gravesend, L. I., and brother of Peter, Garret and Benjamin, all of New York. Will made Jan. 7, 1793.

1st. I bequeath to Rachel (Roome) Steymets, my beloved wife, all my household furniture and 30 Pound Sterling, also the use and rents of my real and personal estate so long as she remains my widow. At her death there shall be paid to my grandson William Steymets (Tailor) of New York, Fifteen Pounds Sterling. And all the rest and residue of my estate to be divided in two parts. The one-half for my granddaughter, Mary, wife of Alexander McDougall. The other half to my grandson William Steymets as above. My wife

Rachel to be my Executrix and my brother Benjamin and my brother-in-law Pieter Bogert to be my Executors.

Witnesses : Rachel Brower.

Henry Sickles, Jr.,

Francis Child.

Will probated May 21, 1794.

Will.

Will of Rachel (Roome) Steymets, widow of Christoffel Steymets. She was of the city and county of New York, but after the death of her husband she removed to Hackensack, her old home, where she seemed to have spent part of her time.

Will of Rachel (Roome) Steymets. She bequeaths a large and valuable estate partly as follows : To her sister-in-law Rachel Roome, gold rings, bracelets and other jewelry, and silverware. To her niece Sarah Lewis and her niece Hester Sebring, and to the children of William Steymets and Mary McDougall, silver spoons, and large quantities of other valuables. To John J. Roome, William P. Roome, and Nicholas Roome, Mary VanTuyle, Rachel Brower, Susan Webster, Mary Anthony, Peter and Hester Sebring, to each of these quite a large and valuable estate. The Executors were John P. Roome and Nicholas Anthony.

Witnesses, Aury Westervelt,

Jacob P. Westervelt,

Rachel Ackerman.

The will was proved and probated in the Surrogate's Office in New York City, Jan. 17, 1807. The will is lengthy and described in full in that office. P. H. H.

Will of Johannes (John) Steymets, son of Benjamin and Sara Steymets, of Gravesend, L. I., and brother of Benjamin, Garret, Peter, Frederic, of the City and County of New York.

1st. Bequeaths to his beloved grand children, James, Catherine, John, Mary and Lawrence, children of his late daughter Sarah, wife of John Matthews, — money, silverware and household goods. 2nd. To his grandchild Abraham King, son of his daughter Leah. 3rd. To my grandchildren, Hendrick, John, Catherine, children of my late son Christopher Steymets; all to be divided and given share and share alike.

To be given and disposed of by my beloved son Garret Steymets out of my residuary estate given to him. Provided the legacies of \$2500. and division of goods made as directed. He appoints his son Garret sole executor.

Will made and dated March 26, 1800. Proved and executed Sept. 29, 1801. Sylvanus Miller, Surrogate. Witnesses, Frederic Mabie, Samuel Brown, John G. Bates. Signes, Garret Steymets, Executor.

Will.

Garret Steymets, son of Benjamin of Gravesend, L. I., and brother to Johannes. He lived and did business in the City and County of New York and died there in May, 1804. In his will dated March 7, 1804, he bequeaths to his wife Mary all his property of whatever sort and kind, and after her death to go to his two grandchildren John and Elmer Kingsland, children of his deceased daughter, wife of Stephen Kingsland. He appoints his son John and his son-in-law Stephen Kingsland, Executors of his estate, and also trustees and guardians of such minor children as may be interested in the Estate.

The will in full is recorded in the Surrogate's Office of New York, and was probated May 22, 1804.

Witnesses, John J. Bates,

Daniel Thorne,

Cornelius Bogert.

Silvanus Miller, Surrogate.

Generation

Marriages.

- Annetje Steymets (daughter of Caspar) to Tades Mixhease, 1679, and to Johannes Heyer, 1709.
2. Orsolena Steymets (daughter of Caspar) to Roelef Lubbertse Westervelt, March, 1688.
2. Joanna Steymets (daughter of Caspar) to Andreas Prior, May, 1688; and to Casparus Van Noorstrand, Oct., 1698.
3. Casparus Steymets (son of Christoffel), 1st. to Rachel Peter Powlse (widow); Oct., 1713; and 2nd, to Marytje Hendricksen, Aug., 1727.

4. Annatje Steymets (daughter of Christoffel) to Jacob VanNoorstrand, Oct., 1715.
4. Judith Steymets (daughter of Christoffel) to Herman Van Riper, 1721.
4. Joannetje Steymets, 1st. to Jacob Van Noorstrand, Oct., 1720; and 2nd, to Johannes Heyer.
4. Elizabeth Steymets to Jan Tomas VanRiper, 1730.
5. Joanna Steymets (daughter of Christoffel) to Garra-brant Garrabrantsen, 1831.
3. Benjamin Steymets (son of Christoffel) 1st. to Sarah VanStee, 1720; and 2nd, to Sara Emans, 1723.
4. Christoffel Steymets to Affgee Heermans, Oct., 1723.
5. Helena Steymets to Isaac Henion, 1726.
4. Annetje Steymets (daughter of Benjamin) to Cornelius Bulson, 1748.
5. Marrietta Steymets to Abram Meserole, 1748.
5. Johannes Steymets, to Luberty Newburg, Sept., 1751.
4. Nealtis (Nellie) Steymets (daughter of Benjamin) to Cornelius Marschelluck, Feb., 1854.
4. Finnettie Steymets to Jan Vander Voort, April, 1755.
4. Christoffel Steymets (son of Benjamin) to Catherine Van Brunt, June, 1755.
4. Benjamin, (son of Benjamin) to Margaret Von Bus-keick, April, 1752. (She died and is buried in Spruce Run cemetery where her grave and headstone can now be seen, 1910.)
5. Garret Steymets (son of Benjamin) 1st to Puertitie Tuerse, Nov., 1744; and 2nd. to Sussanna Baldwin, July, 1766.
4. Christopher Steymets (son of Benjamin) 1st to Marie Ellsworth, 1753; and 2nd. to Altje Remsen.
4. Catharine Steymets to Andreas Hoppe, Jan. 23, 1758.
5. Peter Steymets, (son of Benj.) to Mary Dey (Dien, Dean, Day) April, 1759.
4. Jacob Steymets (son of Casparus) to Mary Dean, May, 1752.
5. Rachel Steymets to David Ross, April, 1761.
5. Thomas Steymets (son of Benjamin) to Margaret Wil-liams, March, 1768.

5. Jane Steymets to Adam DeGrhue, March, 1763.
5. Jaspar Steymets to Rachel Banker, March, 1768.
5. Annetje Steymets to David Brown, July, 1763.
5. Mary Steymets (daughter of Casparus, son of Christofel) to Philip Thompson, March, 1768.
5. Hannah Steymets to Cornelius Spear, May, 1768.
5. William Steinmets to Elizabeth Taylor, 1780. (He was a tailor in N. Y. and published a rule on cutting clothes. One has been used by the writer for many years. P. H. H.)
5. Nellie Steymets (daughter of Benjamin) to Stephen Kingsland, 1750.
5. Christopher (son of Christopher) Steymets to Treintie Coegernoen, June, 1766.
4. Leah Steymets (daughter of Benjamin, 1st) to Hendrik King, March, 1761.
4. Johannes Steymets (son of Benj. 1st) to Catherine Post, Oct., 1736.
4. Catherine Steymets to Johannes Post, July 11, 1753.
4. Anna Steymets to Abraham Bokka, 1748.
5. Abraham Steymets to Rachel VanTassell, 1760.
5. Mary Steymets to Theopholis Ellsworth, June 23, 1778.
5. John Steymets (son of Benj.) to Elizabeth Taylor, July 14, 1781.
5. Mary Steymets (daughter of Benj. 2nd.) to Alexander McDougal, Nov. 2, 1781.
5. Robert Maer to Catherine Steymets, Feb. 22, 1780.
5. Mary Steymets to Thomas Foster, Jan. 26, 1779.
6. Henry Steymets to Mary Linford (of Hackensack) May 17, 1799.
5. Rachel Steymets (daughter of Benj. 2nd.) to Frederic Fritts, of N. J., 1780.
5. Mary Steymets to Cornelius Peterson, Sept. 20, 1778.
5. John Steymets (son of Benj. 1st.) to Anna VanRiper, Oct., 1802.
5. Abraham Steymets to Slyntie Bruyn, 1798.

Baptisms.

1. Caspar Steymets and 1st wife Dorothea Sertsen, July

14, 1650, Caspar. 2nd. wife Jeannetje Gerritsen, Nov. 1653, Johannes; Oct. 5, 1655, Altje; Aug. 27, 1656, Gerrit; Oct. 30, 1658, Annetje; Dec. 19, 1660, Christoffel; Sept. 5, 1663, Caspar; March 14, 1665, Joanna; Dec. 28, 1667, Orsolena; Jan. 16, 1670, Benjamin.

2. Joanna Steymets and Tades Michaelse, Annetje, Nov. 1, 1682; Johannes, Aug. 1684; Jeannetje, Aug., 1689.
2. Gerrit Steymets and 1st wife Vroutje Claes, ——— 1684; Anna, ——— 1686; Annetje, ———, 1688; Arientie, ———, 1691; Caspar, ———, 1695; Hermanes, ———, 1696; 2nd. wife Catrina Gerrits Post, — Helena ———, 1698; Jeannetje, 1703.
2. Joanna Steymets and 1st. husband Andrew Prior, — Jennakie, 1699; Vroutje, 1712; 2nd. husband, John J. Ryder, — Walter, 1714; Gertrude, 1716.
2. Christoffel Steymets and 1st. wife Joannetje Gerrits, — Casparus, 1686; Jeannetje, 1691; Gerrit, 1692; Judth, 1694; Annetje, 1688; Benjamin, 1698; Christopher, 1700. 2nd wife Sarah Vannest, — Elizabeth, 1707; Joanna, 1696.
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4. Johannes Steymets and Jeannetje Lafarge, — Christopher, 1728; Jeannetje, 1746; Isaac, 1753.
4. Hermanes Steymets and Elsie Heermans, — Margaretta, 1722; Catharine, 1724; Altje, 1725; Antje, 1731; Gerrit, 1733; Elsie, 1736.
4. Anna Steymets and William Dey, — Johanna, 1699; Antje, 1709.
4. Helena Steymets and Isaac Hennion, — Catharine, Oct. 3, 1737.
5. Elizabeth Steymets and Jurie Van Riper, — Caspar, 1730.
5. Hester Steymets and Johannes Van Riper, — Pieter, 1729; David, 1731; Johannes, 1761; Annetje, 1764; Catharine, 1766; Caspar, 1768.

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4. Maritje Steymets and Abram Meserole, — Jan, 1751; Maritjie, 1754.
4. Sara Steymets (daughter of Benj. 1st) and husband, — Sara, July 3, 1753.
5. Judith Steymets and Klaes Garrabrantse, — Mary, 1824; Jacob, 1828.
5. Jennetje Steymets and Cornelius Webber, — Johannes, 1763.
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3. Benjamin Steymets and Sara Emans, — Jeannetje, 1751; Casparus, 1753.
4. Rachel Steymets and David Ross, — Sarah, 1766.
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5. Nellie Steymets (daughter of Garret) and Stephen Kingsland, — Elizabeth, 1797; Stephen, 1804; Catharine, 1806; Henry, 1808.
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Catharine Steymets and Andries Hoppe, — Martin, Sept., 1763; Casparus, 1766; Johannes, 1768; Catharine, 1772; Rachel, 1778.

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John Steymets (son of Benj. 1st) and Annie VanRiper, — John, July, 1803; Henry, Dec., 1804; Catharine, 1806.

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The Ballad of Newark.

Written in the Poetry Competition proposed by the Committee
of One Hundred on the 250th Anniversary of Newark.

Glad May was on the marshes when
In Achter Koll grave Milford men
Their anchor cast;
Clear vision of the broad domain,
Whose bound was Watchung's azure chain,
Was got at last.

Outpoured by Nature's lavish hand,
Wild beauty decked their promised land
From creek to crag;
The mallow blushing showed her face,
And song birds trilled a welcome grace
From reed and flag.

Like velvet shone the meadows green,
With groves of darker hue between,
And shining pool;
Beyond the plain the upland stood,
Where babbled in the darkling wood
The brooklet cool.

Such pastures green were never known,
Like uplands saw they never sown
In Milford old;
Prophetic too, their longing gaze,
Of when their kine and sheep should graze
In flocks untold.

The fragrance of the west-born breeze,
That late caressed tall cedar trees,
Their senses caught;
So rich the bounty all around
Their toil to reach the blissful ground
Was then as nought.

Lo ! wondrous light fell on the bay —
As though were gone the common day —
And God was near;
Awhile they paused in silent mood
To thank Him for abounding good,
And blessings dear.

Then high resolve to build a town,
Nor time nor foe could crumble down,
Their souls awoke;
On deathless scroll that day was writ
A solemn oath, and pledges fit
To keep unbroke.

In solemn pact they gave assent
To form a Godly government
Amid the wild;
And they who came to view the land
From Branford, and from Guilford strand,
Were reconciled.

The anchor lifted, and aride
The ship winged up Passaic's tide
As homeward bound;

Amid the bluffs a cleft was seen —
A trail led through the forest screen
To higher ground.

There landed bold the pilgrim band
To found upon a savage land
Their state ideal;
Mid perils dread, and oft distress,
To face the stubborn wilderness
For woe or weal.

There noble Treat, from Milford come,
And Swaine, who yet his Branford home
Must sec again,
With other sturdy men that day,
Strode up the bank to carve their way
Upon the main.

But hark ! from out the forest shade
The grudgeful voice of Perro made
The pilgrims start;
“Depart !” it said, “from this my land,
Unbought by any English hand —
Depart — depart !”

The cup was dashed, but not their hope,
As grieved they left the pleasant slope,
And savage threat;
Swift bore the tide their vessel down
To near Elizabeth, the town
Of Carteret.

Before the governor was broke
The matter urgent, and he spoke
His promise fair;
And bade them not to sail away;
But patient wait. Another day
Would chase despair.

From Oration, the Hackensack,
Was won consent. Then fared they back
To buy the ground;
Upon Passaic's bank agreed
The paleface to the redman's deed,
In honor bound.

Ere long the evening shadows fell;
The chieftains rose, and said farewell
In friendliness;
Then slept the pilgrims. They had won
Thus far their way — and night drew on
The wilderness.

The morrow dawned, and in its train
Full many days of might and main
For heart and hand;
The echoing axe bespoke their toil,
The silent spade upturned the soil
Of virgin land.

God knew the sacrifices made,
The lonely hours within the glade
The pilgrim spent;
Yet from his soul uprose a flame,
Nor foe nor fate could lightly tame,
Of ravishment.

Out of the chaos of the wild
Was born a village — like a child
Of health and hope;
Broad avenues ran up and down,
And ample commons gave the town
Full civic scope.

Ere long the Branford people came,
And then the village got its name —
Of Newark dear;

From the fair city on the Trent
In England old, where Pierson spent
Some hallowed year.

Soon rose the lenter meeting-house,
The drummer tramped his beat to rouse
All men to pray;
And sentinels kept watch and ward,
Against the lurking foe to guard,
By night and day.

The years wore by — stern toilsome years
That saw hope triumph over fears,
And courage win;
With pilgrim clay was mixed the stuff
That never flinched, nor took rebuff
Of human kin.

One day there ran a rumor fleet
That made men startle in the street,
And turn away;
Brave Treat beloved must sail again,
Back to the far New England main,
Before the May.

Grave faces plead with mute appeal,
Sage townsmen urged the common weal
As over all;
Yet answered he "Nay, I must go;
For He whose choosing willed it so —
He gave the call."

"The years," he said, "their tale have told
Since here we fared from Milford old
By wind and tide";
Then to the townsmen gathered round,
Associates as brothers bound,
He prophesied :

"A city rich and fair appears,
Advancing with the growing years
To nobler things;
Trade, letters, art and commerce — all
Before her genius gladly fall
Like subject kings."

The seer broke off. The vision bright
A moment faded from his sight,
And all was dark;
They plead, "But when shall these things be
— And shall our children's children see,
Ere they embark?"

"Long decades lie between," he said,
"And generations shall be dead,
As yet unborn;
And children of all lands shall come,
And gratefully, for wealth and home,
Her life adorn."

Sad-eyed they watched the vessel fade
That bore away the man God made
For greater things;
Then bravely to their task again
Their wills they bent, and conquered pain
And murmurings.

Full many springs have decked the land
Since erstwhile came the pilgrim band
From Milford old;
Where once was glade, and velvet mead,
A princely city lifts its head
In wealth untold.

Joseph Fulford Folsom.

Marie-Jean-Paul-Joseph-Roche-Yves-Gilbert De Motier, Marquis de Lafayette.

BY RICHARD WAYNE PARKER.

If it seem impossible to discuss this great life and character in a short address, let us recall the motto that he adopted as his warrant for attempting whatever he deemed right, however it might seem impossible : — “Cur non ?” — “Why not ?”

On the sixth day of September, 1757, a son was born to Adrienne, widow of the last Marquis of Lafayette. On July 13th, 1757, less than two months before, her husband had fallen in battle at Minden in Germany. He was then serving as Colonel of Grenadiers and was a Chevalier of the Order of St. Louis. When he fell, he was the sole male representative of his line, his brother having been likewise killed in battle. The marquisate hung on the life of this baby boy. No one dreamed that that boy would bring the marquisate to an end with every title of nobility in France, and the oldest and proudest royalty in Europe.

As an only son the young Lafayette was petted and wilful, but he was a favorite. He was red headed and if his pictures are to be trusted he was not good looking, his head retreating to a lofty dome behind. At 15, he was an officer of the musketeers. At 16, he married Adriennè, daughter of the Duke D'Ayen, of the house of Noailles, whom he had known from childhood and who loved him devotedly all her life. He refused promotion at the Court when asked to serve in the train of the Count of Provence, (brother of Louis XVI and afterwards Louis XVIII), taking an opportunity to give his

ultra liberal views to the Count at a masked ball, and when the Count said he would remember what was said, young Lafayette answered that memory was the wit of fools.

In 1776, he was stationed at Metz, and a talk with the Duke of Gloucester as to the American Revolution excited his sympathy so that he determined to go to America. His wife's uncle and brother wanted to go with him. He asked leave from the Duke of Broglie, who replied, "I saw your uncle die and your father. How can I be accessory to the ruin of the last and only representative of your family?" and permission was refused.

Meanwhile, he met De Kalb, and arranged with the American Commissioner Silas Deane to obtain rank in the American army. He broke his orders to go to Marseilles, deserted, went to Bayonne, and finally made his way in a slow ship that he had chartered at his own expense, landing in South Carolina, and riding on horseback 900 miles to Philadelphia. It did not look as if much would be done for this runaway lad of 19. Congress had been overwhelmed with applications from foreign soldiers of fortune, and had adopted the plan of not listening to any stranger. His letters were not read and he was told that there was little hope. He replied to Congress in writing: "After the sacrifices I have made, I have the right to exact two favors. One is to serve at my own expense, the other is to serve first as a Volunteer." This letter awakened attention. The dispatches from the envoys were read over, and the boy received the rank of Major General, leaving to Washington the right to fix his command if any.

Sufficient praise has not been given to Lafayette's services in the Revolution. When the Conway conspiracy obtained an order that he should command an expedition from Albany and attack Montreal, he refused to accept the place, except as subordinate to Washington, whom he toasted at a dinner with the leaders of the conspiracy, and although the expedition never started because troops were not forwarded, he obtained a very valuable treaty with the Indians.

Meanwhile, his chivalry and gallantry had obtained the sympathy of France. He became a popular hero, especially

after his gallant conduct at Germantown and the Brandywine. The feeling in favor of an Alliance with America grew, and when Franklin, Deane and Lee had obtained that treaty and a guarantee of America's independence in 1778, their first act after paying their respects to the King, was to call upon Madame Lafayette, and acknowledge their debt to her husband.

The first news of that treaty came to George Washington through a letter to Lafayette, who ran to the General, embracing him with tears and saying, "The King, my Master, has acknowledged your independence, and formed an alliance with you to secure and establish it."

The united colonies had a day of Thanksgiving. The Army cheered the King of France, the friendly European States, and the American states and the gloom of Valley Forge was lighted up by the news.

We know now that the independence of America would never had been achieved without French subsidies and assistance, and without the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, which came by the aid of the French Navy. We know too that the Alliance meant the downfall of the French Monarchy. The debt incurred in aiding us bankrupted the French treasury, and made the French Revolution possible.

Immediately after the news of the alliance, our young knight errant again did the unexpected. Carlisle, a British officer in Rhode Island, issued a circular in which he spoke of the perfidy of the French King. Lafayette sent him a challenge. It was of course declined, but such an action in favor of the King, though irregular, gained him favor at home.

Falling ill in 1779, he went home to France. On the way, he helped put down a dangerous mutiny on ship board. When he arrived, he was put under a formal arrest, but confined at his brother-in-law's palace, the Hotel Noailles. The Queen who had always opposed the Alliance nevertheless honored him.

This boy of 22 is still at the head of affairs, although in confinement. He obtains consideration for a projected descent

on England with Paul Jones, and for an expedition to Ireland. He proposed that Sweden furnish ships, and offered to pledge his fortune for any loss sustained by the Government. At last, he secured orders that Rochambeau with 4000 troops should be sent to Rhode Island.

In August, 1779, Congress voted him a sword, which was presented by Franklin. We may say here that afterwards in the reign of terror that sword was buried and the blade rusted away, but when the handle was dug up, a new blade was fitted to it by the National Guard, made from the bolts and bars of the Bastille.

In March, 1780, he was able to sail for Boston in a French frigate, with instructions to prepare for the arrival of the French fleet and troops. He visited Washington at Morristown, and Washington sent him to the Congress, writing them, "I am persuaded Congress will participate in the joy I feel in the return of a gentleman who has so singularly distinguished himself in the service of this country. During the time he has been in France, he has uniformly manifested the same zeal in our affairs which animated his conduct while he was among us, and he has been on all occasions an essential friend to America. He merits, and I doubt not Congress will give him every mark of consideration in their power."

When Washington spoke of Lafayette's distinguished services, he had in mind the military ability that he had often shown. At Germantown and the Brandywine, and in an ambush near Valley Forge, he had greatly endeared himself to his troops. On the last occasion, he saved a whole regiment from annihilation by a prompt and skillful withdrawal. At the battle of Monmouth, he had been put in command because General Charles Lee had refused to push the pursuit of the British. Lee afterward got leave to join in the battle as Lafayette's subordinate, but came as his superior, took the command from him and then retreated. It was all this taken together that made Washington so stern with Lee.

After his return from Europe in 1780, Lafayette received more consideration and did his chief military work. He urged the French at Newport to join in an attack on New York

which unfortunately was not attempted. He was then given an independent command in Virginia. There Benedict Arnold sent him a letter in May, 1881, which he returned unopened saying that he would have no dealings with traitors.

His strategy was worthy of Washington himself. His opponent Cornwallis had some 8000 men. Lafayette had less than 3000, and most of these were militia. Cornwallis confidently and boastfully promised: "The boy cannot escape me." Lafayette's movements were cautious but active. He had been trying to save his stores at Richmond, and kept out of the way for a time hoping also that Cornwallis would get entangled in the rivers, and finally he bottled Cornwallis up on the peninsula.

A dispatch from Washington to Lafayette had been captured which showed that an attack was intended on New York, and Cornwallis fortified himself at Yorktown, thinking it was a good place to communicate with New York by sea. This was just what Lafayette wished, because at that moment, Admiral De Grasse arrived in the Chesapeake, with a fleet and an army of 3000 men, who were sent to join Lafayette. The temptation was strong to get the glory of capturing Cornwallis for himself, especially as the Admiral wanted to go north immediately, but Lafayette insisted upon communicating with Washington, persuaded De Grasse to wait until Washington should arrive, served under his old leader in the siege of Yorktown, and led the American assault with a column, of which Alexander Hamilton and Colonel Laurens headed divisions.

His loyalty to Washington as well as his military genius are equally manifest in this final victory.

The war being then practically over he returned to France, and was a popular hero. When the Queen heard of his arrival she left a party of guests to drive his wife to him. He was made a field marshal when only 25 years old. As the friend of America, he went to Spain, then the owner of Florida and Louisiana, and insisted upon the recognition of the American envoy.

At this early age, he was the counsellor of Kings and

Cabinets, and the Confidential agent of great nations. He was planning a descent on the British West Indies, when peace was declared.

In 1784 and 1785, after a visit to America, he went to Prussia, where he saw Frederick the Great, then an old man in a slovenly uniform, and was told by that frank monarch that any young man who brought American ideas to Europe would be hanged.

We have now completed the first five and twenty years of a life. They were years of unqualified success, for he had been with Washington, whom he adored and whose wisdom and judgment had perhaps moderated Lafayette's sometimes imprudent enterprises.

He was now in his own country, and determined to bring the blessings of liberty to his own people. He became the foremost advocate of French liberties for over fifty years. This was a new and different task. America had *defended* her liberties while France had the problem of *creating* free government. Lafayette had to contend against French institutions while America was upholding hers.

His first efforts were to aid the Protestants. He then was elected to the "Assembly of Notables", although he was under the required age. This assembly had been convoked because of the bankruptcy of the nation, and was an absolute failure, not daring or knowing what to do. It has been called by a French wit who spoke English, the assembly of not-ables. In this gathering of nobles and conservatives, Lafayette immediately moved for an investigation of abuses, such as *lettres de cachet*, religious persecution, oppressive taxes like the duty on salt, and wastefulness. "Great disorder," he said, "supposes great depredation. The millions that are dissipated are raised by impost, and an impost can only be justified by the real exigences of the state. All the millions given up to cupidity or depredation are the fruit of the sweat, the tears, and perhaps the blood of the nation."

He demanded equality of rights, personal and religious liberty, and universal representation. When new demands and propositions were ordered to be put in writing, it was he

who first entered the demand for the States General, the ancient parliament of France, and finally the States General assembled in its three bodies of nobility, clergy and commons after a lapse of 173 years. Within a month, he was one of the 47 nobles who took the first revolutionary step and joined the Commons and Clergy in a single assembly, which when refused the use of the parliament room, met in the tennis court, demanded a constitution and swore never to separate, and to assemble where circumstances should require until the constitution should be established.

He joined with Mirabeau in demanding the withdrawal of troops, and in passing a declaration of the rights, freedom and equality of man, which asserted his liberty in matters of thought, honor, life, property, person, work, the use of the faculties, speech, the pursuit of happiness, and resistance of oppression: with no limits but the rights of others and no subjection except to such law as may be made by the assent of himself and his representatives and legally enforced.

This was the declaration of liberties of the 11th of July, 1789, which Lafayette hung in his room opposite to the American declaration of Independence. When on the 14th of that same July, the Bastille was demolished by a mob, Lafayette said that when oppression renders revolution necessary, insurrection becomes the holiest of duties. He was presented with the key of the Bastille, and sent it to George Washington. It is now at Mount Vernon.

Thus Lafayette not only moved for and got a Parliament, but rather against his principles he followed his party in the Revolution that changed that Parliament into a single House — the National Assembly, — and he winked at the riots and popular insurrection that followed.

But the troops were still with the King and nobility, and in order to destroy their power, Lafayette created the first great popular army of the world. He organized the National Guard on the model of the American militia and minute men. He paid the arrears of pay of the French Guard out of his own funds and thus persuaded them to become part of the National Guard, of which he was the Commander. From that

moment, King and nobility were powerless, and could only fly to foreign soil. Emigration began when Lafayette organized that people's army. He rode at its head when the King went in procession to Paris. He refused to be dictator, he stopped massacres, he resigned his command for a time when order was not kept, he made all take an oath to the law, he defeated the movement to remove the King to Metz, he joined in abolishing titles of nobility and he took full charge when the King was brought back. He did not claim to be consistent. He told Gouverneur Morris, "I am aware that my party is mad, but I will serve it to the death." Mirabeau told him, "You wish to be a Cromwell Grandison, and you will find out where that combination will carry you." But he was always honest and brave.

When France was invaded, he resigned from the National Guard, and took a place upon the frontier, where the three commanders of the North, Middle and South armies were Lafayette, Rochambeau and Luckner. He was in that command in August, 1792, when the Jacobins turned the National Assembly out, and the reign of terror began, when the palace was sacked and the nation was called to arms.

This was the turning point in his career. Until then, he had never hesitated, though he had made mistakes. It was certainly a mistake to abolish the three orders, and thus put the whole of France in the control of a single assembly without check or balance. The greatness of a country is not achieved by abolishing its institutions. The nobility might have been curbed without being destroyed. But thus far, Lafayette had never failed in any emergency.

In this great emergency, he failed, though he had prepared for it. He had changed departments with Rochambeau, so as to be nearer Paris. He had planned with Luckner to get the King out of Paris when his position there became dangerous. He had arrested the Commissioners that brought the news of the revolt in Paris, holding that the Legislative assembly had been overawed by a lawless mob, and was not free when it decreed the suspension of the royal authority. He had issued a proclamation against the Jacobins :

"Let the reign of clubs give way to reign of law, their usurpation to firm and independent exercise of the constitutional authorities, their disorganized maxims to the principles of liberty, their insensate fury to the calm and constant courage of a nation that knows its rights and defends them."

Luckner was ready to stand by him. All that he had to do was to march on Paris, restore freedom to the Assembly and succour the King.

But he failed in the emergency. He gave no orders to his troops, allowed the commissioners from the assembly to proclaim their own messages, and when the army hesitated and finally decided to obey the orders of the assembly he went to Paris to try to influence the leaders of the mob, and failing in this he found himself prescribed, and ran away with his staff and a few others to an advanced post of the Austrian Army.

Then the storm fell. The reign of law was replaced by that of the guillotine. His wife and their daughter were put in prison, and her mother, grandmother and sister were guillotined.

Meanwhile Lafayette was kept in confinement in one place after another, but in absolute secrecy. Nothing shows the power of the man so much as that every sovereign in Europe was afraid of him. He was finally imprisoned in Olmutz. He had been declared a traitor at home, but he refused the demands of the enemies of France, to recant his revolutionary views and especially the abolition of nobility. He remained in prison for five years. When George Washington interceded with the Emperor for him, and asked whether imprisonment, the confiscation of his property, and the poverty and scattering of his family, were not such suffering as would ask for pity, the Emperor declared that the existence of Lafayette was incompatible with the safety of the Governments of Europe.

After an unsuccessful attempt to escape, aided by two friends (one of them a Huger of South Carolina) he was kept in close confinement in a cell and chained to the wall. His wife and young daughters of 16 and 13 finally got leave to share his prison. His wife fell ill, but refused to leave him on the condition that she should not return.

It was only after nearly six years that he was released at the demand of Napoleon, who had conquered Italy in 1799. But he was still proscribed in France. Napoleon would not permit his return, while General Brune actually objected to his being in Holland. He refused to go to England, a country at war with his own. He protested against having his name selected to be specially struck off the list of the proscribed, and urged that France should recall all immigrants not then in arms. Finally, when Napoleon assumed the position of dictator, promising free government to France, he took passports under a feigned name to Paris, and asked to see Napoleon. Talleyrand called and threatened him, saying that the First Consul was very much provoked, but he refused to leave France. He was still proscribed and could not vote until March 1, 1800. Napoleon, in his own frank way, said that no one was so hated by the enemies of liberty and of France as Lafayette, and told him personally :

"You made a mistake in wishing to preserve the ancient dynasty, for if you refused it absolute power, the Government could not go on, and if you granted it, it would be employed against you. The problem was incapable of solution."

Meanwhile, he refused to be appointed to the Senate, not believing in that body, and declined to be sent on an embassy to the United States because he was too nearly related to that country to act as a minister of any other.

He was now comparatively poor, and lived on his wife's property at La Grange. In 1802, he fell and became lame from mistakes of the surgeons. In December, 1807, his loving wife died of the illness that she had contracted during their imprisonment in Olmutz. It is hard to be the wife of a hero. He remained out of politics during the Empire, for he was never trusted by Napoleon, who said :

"Everybody in France is corrected but Lafayette. He has never drawn back a hair's breadth. He is quiet and calm, but ready to begin again."

When Napoleon returned from Elba, Lafayette had no faith in him, and demanded a constitution. He protested against a chamber of peers, but took a place in the Assembly,

in which he once asked whether that Assembly were Representatives of the French people, or the Napoleon Club.

After Waterloo, he urged Napoleon to abdicate, but scorned the proposition that he should be surrendered, and told the Englishman who asked it :

“I am astonished that in making such an odious proposition, you address yourself to one of the prisoners of Olmutz.”

On the restoration of the Monarchy, he was four years in private life, and then became a deputy. He was still free in his expressions of opinion, and in 1823 was charged with treason, but not prosecuted.

In 1824, he made his last visit to America, remaining nearly a year. His progress was a triumph. The Newark Sentinal chronicles it as of national importance. It gives the address made to him by Judge Story at Salem, August 31, which I wish I had time to read in full. In it Judge Story said, “We welcome you to our country — to our homes — to our hearts. We have read the history of your achievements — your honours and your sufferings. They are associated with all that is dear to us — with the battle grounds consecrated by the blood of our heroes — with the tender recollections of our departed statesmen — with the affectionate reverence of our surviving patriots. Can we forget that we were poor, and struggling alone in the doubtful contest for Independence, and you crossed the Atlantic at the hazard of fortune and fame, to cheer us in our resistance ? That you re-crossed it to solicit naval and military succours from the Throne of France, and returned with triumphant success ? That your gallantry in the southern campaign checked the inroads of a brave and confident enemy ? That your military labours closed but with the surrender at Yorktown, and thus indissolubly united your name with the proud events of that glorious day. We cannot forget these things, if we would — we would not forget them if we could.” Here that stern New England audience burst out into a shout, “No, Never”, after which Judge Story said, “They will not be forgotten, until America ceases to be a nation.”

We may dwell a little on the celebration of his visit here in Newark.

In three columns of the Newark Sentinel of Tuesday, September 28, 1824, we find that on the Thursday last, as agreeable to arrangements made by his Excellency the Governor of this State in concert with the General Committee of this town, General Lafayette and suite, attended by General Morton, the Mayor, Recorder, etc., of New York, on board the James Kent, reached the Jersey shore at the City of Jersey about 10 A. M., and were waited upon by Gen. J. Dayton, acting as Grand Marshal, Col. Kinney, and Major Kean, of the suite of Governor Williamson, and conducted to Lyons Hotel.

After a few minutes escorted by a squadron of cavalry and attended by a numerous cavalcade, he set out for Newark.

At Bergen, he paused to be presented with a gold headed apple tree cane. At noon, an artillery salute announced his arrival at Newark Bridge, the streets and bluff being lined with spectators.

At Major Boudinot's house (later the residence of Mr. S. H. Condict), he alighted and met the judges of the United States and State Courts, the Cincinnati and other gentlemen.

The infantry was formed in the two lines of the Common from the flagstaff to the Bower.

The procession entered at the flagstaff and went to the "Bower" while a choir sang a welcome, the "cadet" band played and they passed under the Civic Arch to the temple.

The crowd prevented the proper presentation of ladies from the Bower.

The militia from Bergen, Essex and Morris, moved to the usual parade ground, and were formed in two Brigade lines under Generals Dayton and Darey. "The display of the militia was grand and imposing." About 2000 men in uniforms were on the ground, besides nearly 300 cavalry who had constituted a part of the escort from Jersey City.

The orator was Theodore Frelinghuysen. In his oration, he said: "The children of the venerated men by whose side

you fought and in whose counsels you ably participated now rise up to hail and bless you.

“The story of Brandywine, of Monmouth and of Yorktown. There we learned the triumphs of liberty. In the dungeons of Olmutz, we sympathized with her trials. May I add that never did the spirit of enlightened freedom appear more like herself than when you her worthy son took your stand in front of her excited votaries, and at the hazard of your life gave the warning voice that the excesses of liberty would only endanger and might extinguish her dearest hopes.”

The Bower was erected for the reception 55 feet in diameter, with a portico and colonnades 150 feet long on either side, as designed and superintended by William Halsey, Esq., aided by Moses Ward, Architect, and by the ladies for the formation of those wreaths which constitute the frieze moulding and other members of the work and the ornaments which decorate it.

From Newark he went South and before his return to France, he saw Joseph Bonaparte at Bordentown, and went to the grave of Washington and to Yorktown. Congress voted him 24,000 acres and \$200,000.

When back in France the old man in his seventies, in 1828 and 1829, was still attacking the abuses of the restored monarchy, and urging reforms. His popularity remained, and he was welcomed everywhere with ovations, though several mayors were removed for allowing them to take place.

Finally in 1830, the King was mad enough to make a decree dissolving the chambers, reducing the number of deputies and changing the suffrage.

Lafayette immediately went to Paris, headed a new revolution, took command of the National Guard, threw up barricades, and put Louis Philippe on the throne. He lived until 1834, long enough to see the abuses that were beginning under that King, and died quietly at his home.

We have been considering the life of a hero. He was not always well balanced and was at his best when he was under Washington. But he changed the face of the world. It is

not too much to say that his enthusiasm brought the aid of France to our Revolution, and that without him, America would not have been independent. In his own country, he was not so fortunate. He did not know how to use institutions. He failed to act in the very emergency for which he had prepared, when he could have saved the King and Queen and Nation under such conditions as he might choose to impose. The failure meant the destruction of the best blood of France. It reduced him to poverty, and made his country the prey of war, revolution and tyrants for nearly 80 years. Yet it is true also of France that that great republic, whose sons even now show a chivalry and courage worthy of the best days of the France of old, would probably not exist except for the work done by Gilbert de Motier, Marquis de Lafayette.

Lafayette in Quaint Verse.

The following lines in praise of Lafayette, done in the quaint manner of American verse of the eighteenth century, were written by Margareta V. Faugeres, the daughter of Ann Eliza Bleeker, the mother having been the daughter of Brandt Schuyler of New York City. The works, consisting of letters, essays and poems, of mother and daughter were published in New York in 1793, those of Bleeker being then posthumous. The essays and poems of Mrs. Faugeres occupy the latter portion of the volume, which bears the cover title, "Bleeker's Works".

The title of the poem in which at the close Lafayette is celebrated is "On seeing a Print, exhibiting the Ruins of the Bastile", and the lines are

And thou, Fayette ! — whom distant land deplore,
And now self-banish'd from thy native shore;
Tho' zeal mistaken, may a shadow throw
Athwart the laurels which adorn thy brow;
Yet shall they bloom — for in thy generous breast
No soul like Coriolanus is confess'd :
To Gallia still thy warmest wishes tend,
And tho' an injured exile, still a friend !
When grateful nations tell thine acts to Fame
America shall urge her oldest claim,
Point to the worthies whom her sons revere,
And place Fayette with those she holds most dear.

Proceedings of the Society, 1916.

Newark, N. J., October 25th, 1916.

The Annual Meeting of the New Jersey Historical Society was held to-day at twelve o'clock, and was called to order by the President, Francis J. Swayze. The invocation was offered by the Recording Secretary.

The minutes of the previous annual meeting, October 27, 1915, were read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer, William C. Morton, was read by the Secretary. The balance reported was \$832.77. The report was approved and is appended.

The President appointed Messrs. Elias Vosseler and Frank Bergen as a committee on nominating trustees for the ensuing year.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, A. Van Doren Honeyman, was presented and was approved. It is appended in full.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read by Charles M. Lum, and was approved.

The committee on nominations returned and presented the following names for trustees to serve three years, Hiram E. Deats, J. Lawrence Boggs, Joseph M. Riker, Charles B. Bradley and Henry G. Atha. There were no other nominations offered and the clerk was instructed to cast a ballot for the five named. The President declared them elected.

The report of the work of the Woman's Branch was presented by the President, Miss Altha E. Hatch. It was approved and is appended in full.

The report of the Library Committee was presented by Frederick A. Canfield, the chairman, and was approved as appended.

The report of the Committee on Membership was presented by J. Lawrence Boggs, the chairman, and was approved as appended.

A vote of thanks was given Charles Bradley, chairman of the Society's special committee on the 250th anniversary of the City, and his report to the Board of Trustees, presented last June, was ordered to be spread upon the minutes of the Society to be included in the printed Proceedings.

A recess was taken for luncheon and a social hour, following which at two o'clock the Honorable R. Wayne Parker, delivered a splendid address on "Lafayette", for which he received the thanks of the Society. The address was requested for printing in the Proceedings. The meeting adjourned.

Joseph F. Folsom,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

October 25, 1916.

The Board of Trustees through its various committees during the past year has been active in the administrative affairs of the Society. The monthly meetings have been faithfully attended, and matters that have needed attention have been fully discussed and carefully concluded. Since the last annual meeting has been published Volume XXVIII of the Archives, containing newspaper extracts related to New Jersey history during the years 1772 and 1773. Volume 9 of the Collection also has come from the press, prepared by our corresponding secretary, Mr. Honeyman. This volume bears the title "New Jersey Biographical and Genealogical Notes" and its author was the late William Nelson, long the corresponding secretary of the Society. Still another volume, namely Volume V of the Second Series of the Archives, may be looked for in the near future, provision having been made by the State for continuing for another year its relationship with the Society in publishing the archives of New Jersey.

The Trustees have engaged an assistant to the assistant librarian, and this addition to the attending force increases the facilities for serving our membership and the public in our particular work.

The Committee on the 250th Anniversary of the Settlement of Newark, created in December, 1910, by our late President Jonathan W. Roberts, during this anniversary year of 1916, has been active in carrying out the purpose of its appointing. In co-operation with the City's Committee of One Hundred it arranged for a reception by the Society for the distinguished delegates invited to Newark to participate on May the first in the opening services of the celebration. Following the reception in this building there were exercises held in the new Proctor's Theatre, on Market street, near Halsey. The day has generally been remembered with pleasure, and the Society's share in making it memorable has been generously recognized.

To the efficient leadership of Charles Bradley, chairman of this committee, great credit is due.

The board urges upon the membership of the Society a continued active interest and support of all our enterprises. It recognizes with gratitude the unremitting zeal in practical service of the Woman's Branch.

Joseph F. Folsom,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

For Year Ending Sept. 30th, 1916.

Capital Account

Balance to credit of acct. Oct. 1, 1915	\$	900.00	
Received Life Membership		100.00	
		\$1,000.00	
Less			
Investment in Bonds	907.69	\$	92.31
Fire Insurance			
Cost of repairing and restoring 24			
West Park (Fire May, 1916)	\$2,275.07		
Less Insurance received from New-			
ark Fire & Scottish Union	2,000.00	275.07	
Investment			
Bonds purchased to be credited to			
each bequest	2,464.60		
William Nelson Fund			
Books purchased in excess of			
amount subscribed Purchased	1,796.73		
Subscribed	1,772.31	24.42	
Hadfield F. M. Tichenor Mem'l Fund			
Balance to credit of Bequest		3.75	
Hadfield F. M. Tichenor Income			
Interest to credit of acct.		20.00	
The David A. Hayes Fund			
Amount of Bequest	10,000.00		
Less amt. invested	7,704.28	2,295.72	
The David A. Hayes Fund Income			
Amount received		80.00	
Mary A. Ingleton Donation			
Interest received		150.00	

Indexing

Amt. paid for indexing		288.00	
Book and Publishing Acc't.			
Amt. expended in publishing proceedings	649.91		
Less			
Woman's Branch Contribution	\$ 100.00		
Royalty Sale of Kendall book	48.38	148.38	501.53
L. Cotheal Smith Bequest			
Amt. of Bequest	2,000.00		
Interest received	40.00		
		2,040.00	
Amt. Invested	2,024.11		15.89
General Account			
Balance to credit of acct. October 1, 1915	1,468.17		
Received from Rents, Dues, etc. ..	4,949.83		
		6,418.00	
Less			
General Expenses, Salaries, Repairs, Taxes, etc.	4,689.28		1,728.72
		\$3,553.62	\$4,386.39
			3,553.62
			\$ 832.77
Cash in bank	642.41		
Cash paid to printers for work on Vol. 18 New Jersey Archives, to be refunded by State of New Jersey	190.36		832.77

Oct. 1st, 1916

W. C. Morton,
Treasurer.

This certifies that we have audited the foregoing accounts folios 378—379, from Oct. 1st, 1915 to Oct. 1st, 1916.

The proofs of balances in Bank to the credit of The New Jersey Historical Society and find them to be correct, that the balance to the credit of the Society to be Eight hundred thirty-two and 77/100 Dollars :

Cash in Merchants Bank	\$ 642.41
Cash due from State of New Jersey	190.36

\$ 832.77

Oct. 20th, 1916.

Charles M. Lum
J. Lawrence Boggs
Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S BRANCH.

October 25th, 1916.

It is with pleasure that the Woman's Branch presents to the New Jersey Historical Society its fifteenth Annual Report.

During the year the Board of Managers has held nine regular meetings, with good attendance from all parts of the State.

Our membership has been increased by the addition of one patron, five contributing members and fifty-one associate members. Death has claimed ten of our number during the past year.

At our Annual meeting in May the Treasurer reported receipts, including the balance of the previous year, of \$1,350.22, expenditures of \$617.58, and a balance of \$732.64.

The legacy which was left to the Woman's Branch by Miss L. Cotheal Smith has been received, and invested, the interest to be used in the purchase of books.

For years the Woman's Branch has been the Genealogical Committee of the Historical Society, and, as a part of its work, has handed in two volumes of tombstone inscriptions annually, each containing approximately two thousand inscriptions. During the present year, we have purchased a copy of "The Book of the Dead of Monmouth," thirty copies of which were published by Mr. George C. Martin. This publication contains about two thousand inscriptions. We also have enough Middlesex County inscriptions to fill a volume, though the copying has not yet been completed.

The Library has further been enriched by the following gifts: A pamphlet, presented by Mrs. H. J. Hoerner; two pamphlets, two badges, and a lavender fan, presented by Mrs. A. F. R. Martin; a photograph of Hancock House, presented by Mrs. Joseph P. Osborne; an old newspaper, "The Daily Citizen," Vicksburg, Miss., dated July 2nd, 1863, presented by Miss Emma Louise Sands; silhouettes of Col. Jacob Ford, Sr. and his wife, Hannah Baldwin, presented by their great, great, great grand daughter, Mrs. William S. Meek; a copy of the Register of the New Jersey Society, Colonial Dames of America, presented by Mrs. Alexander H. Tiers; address by Gen. Chambers on "The Battle of Trenton," address by

Chancellor Walker on "The Old Barracks at Trenton;" a book and a map of France, presented by Mrs. Mathias Steelman; two curios, presented by Miss Marianna W. Manning, also shell work of the natives of the Bahama Islands, a gift to the donor from a governor's wife, Lady William Robinson, formerly a pupil at Miss Manning's school; historical sketch of St. John's Lutheran Church of Easton, Pa., presented by Miss Katherine N. Stryker; sixty Geographic Magazines, 1911—1915, presented by Miss Mary McKeen; American Book Prices Current, 1915, presented by Miss Ginevra Freeman; portrait and autograph of Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall; portrait of Governor Theodore F. Randolph, presented by his son, Coleman Randolph; records of tombstone inscriptions from Fairfield Presbyterian Church-yard, Cumberland County, together with a picture of the church, presented by Mrs. Trueman H. Clayton; "The Records of the East Jersey Proprietors at Perth Amboy, N. J.," presented by Hon. Adrian Lyon, member and Registrar of the Board of Proprietors of East Jersey — a paper read by the Hon. Adrian Lyon; a paper, "Some Phases of Newark's History," by Mrs. Sidney N. Ogden; "Old Bergen" — a book by Daniel VanWinkle; Book on Henry E. Pitney, Vice-Chancellor of New Jersey, 1889—1907, Who's Who in America, 1914—1915, "Records of Officers and Men of New Jersey in Wars from 1791 to 1815," presented by Mrs. Charles W. Parker; picture of the interior of the Old Meeting House at Parsippany, N. J., presented by Miss Maria D. Green; collection of pamphlets, presented by Miss Altha E. Hatch; portrait of Judge David A. Depue, presented by his daughter, Mrs. Sydney Norris Ogden; a piece of the original frame of the first meeting house in Orange, erected by the Mountain Society in 1716, presented by Miss Ginevra Freeman; "An authentic narrative of the loss of the American Brig 'Commerce', wrecked on the northern coast of Africa in 1815," presented by Miss Ginevra Freeman; oil painting of Henry Clay, presented by Mrs. Arthur H. Mackie; model of field carriage, gun and horses, made by Nelson Wright during the Civil War, presented by his grandson, Nelson Wright Mackie; package of genealogical clippings, presented by Miss Dora Smith.

The following purchases were made during the year :

Manuscripts : Three early Dutch manuscripts; documents relating to Acquackanonk, New Jersey, 1693—1723; Three letters of Elisha Boudinot, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. Letters written by the Rev. James Caldwell, the "Fighting Parson" of the American Revolution — also a document signed by him and six manuscripts relating to his death. Public records of the Township of Saddle River, N. J., from 1789—1836.

Books : The Baskerville Family, by P. H. Baskerville. Doremus Genealogy, by William Nelson. The Schuremans of New Jersey, by Richard Wynkoop. The Stryker Family, by William S. Stryker. Washington's Life Guard, by Dr. Carlos E. Godfrey. Military and Civil History of Essex County, N. J., by W. C. Watson. Book of the Dead of Monmouth, compiled by George C. Martin. Genealogical Records of the Boggs Family, by W. E. Boggs.

A filing case for use in the Library was also purchased.

During the year there have been bound :

New Jersey Historical Society Proceedings, 31 volumes.

Volumes 1 to 6 of the Connecticut Quarterly.

Volume 51 of the Essex Institute's Historical Collections.

Minutes of the Newark Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1886—1909, 3 volumes.

Volume 69 of the New England Historical and Genealogical Register.

Volumes 1 to 6 of the New Hampshire Genealogical Record.

Protestant Episcopal Church, Journal of Proceeding of Conventions of the New Jersey Diocese, 1865—1876, 3 volumes.

Synod of New Jersey Minutes, 1879—1912, 6 volumes.

Volume 23 of the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography.

Volume 39 of the Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography.

The Mid-winter meeting held in February, in the "Old Barracks" in Trenton, was a great success. Every detail of the arrangements, under the able management of Mrs. John Bruyere and her splendid committee, was so carefully planned and carried out, that those who attended the meeting had a day of very real pleasure — the auto rides about the city, the luncheon, and then the addresses by Gen. Chambers, Chancellor Walker, and Justice Swayze, all contributing to the enjoyment of the day.

We held our Annual Meeting in May with an unusually large number present. Mrs. Sydney N. Ogden reading a paper on "Some Phases of Newark's History" and the Hon. Adrian Lyon speaking on "The Proprietors of East Jersey."

All this has been accomplished in the last year of the preceding administration.

With the change in the Presidency of the Woman's Branch, it seems rather doubtful if this record of achievement can be kept up, for the present incumbent is not so efficient a worker as her predecessor, and the only way it can be done is through a greater and more untiring activity on the part of committees and individu-

al members, and for this the President asks, in order that the work may continue unabated.

Respectfully submitted,
Altha E. Hatch,
President.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

October 25th, 1916.

There have been received by your Corresponding Secretary during the past year 133 letters, and 179 letters have been written, most of which were in reply to genealogical or historical questions, while the balance concern other matters relating to the work of the Society. Various other letters received at the Library were directly answered by the assistant librarian, Miss Johnson.

By resolution of the Board of Trustees, your Corresponding Secretary completed the printing of what is known as "Collections," Vol. IX, of the Society, consisting of New Jersey genealogical and biographical notes, wholly prepared and partly printed by the late Mr. Nelson, and indexed the same. This volume should prove of great importance and interest to all those members of the Society who need, at times, to refer to life sketches and lines of descent of many of the earlier settlers of this State. The basis of the various articles, numbering in the whole 221, was the footnotes to our volumes of "Archives," which Mr. Nelson greatly expanded, he having been engaged in securing additional data through correspondence extending over eighteen years. The volume can be procured here to-day at a cost of \$2. The Society has no fund for printing its "Collections," and it is hoped the sale may at least reimburse the Society for its outlay.

During the year past your Corresponding Secretary has also indexed, and had completed, ready for binding, Vol. XXVIII of the New Jersey "Archives," First Series, the printing of which was practically finished by Mr. Nelson, and which, under a recent appropriation of the Legislature, may be soon ready for distribution under the law. The next volume of "Archives," also partly printed during the lifetime of Mr. Nelson, the Society expects to issue during the year, to be known as Vol. V of the Second Series. When this is completed the newspaper extracts relating to matters in New Jersey will be almost complete from the years 1701 to 1780 inclusive. There is also Mss. matter for a succeeding volume.

I might also note that the New Jersey Society of Colonial Wars, through Dr. Arthur Adams, of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., chairman of its committee on printing, has offered to print and publish the "New Jersey Civil List," from manuscripts pre-

pared under the direction of Mr. Nelson, a publication which must prove of real service to our Society and to the State.

Among the genealogical and family inquiries received were the following:

Mrs. M. J. Patsel, 379 Allison Ave., S. W., Roanoke, Va., asked concerning her great-great-grandfather Samuel Leonard, of New Jersey, and his daughter Elizabeth Leonard, and was referred to Mr. O. B. Leonard, of Plainfield, the only known authority on the Leonard family.

Mr. Ernest Spofford, assistant Librarian of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia, inquired if the work on the Shippen family, by Dr. George S. Bangert, of East Orange, was published, and the answer was given that the material is still being prepared and the book is still unpublished.

Mr. Joseph F. Sabin, 22 Pine street, New York City, desired to know the name of the wife of "S. Stockton, of Revolutionary date, or before 1776." Assuming he referred to Samuel S. Stockton, one of the famous Stockton family of Princeton, he was referred to two separate works on the Stockton family, and was also informed there was a Samuel Stockton, of Burlington county, who, on June 11, 1784, married Hannah Gardiner.

Mr. J. B. Sammis, of New Brunswick, desired to learn of the ancestry of the Sammis family which settled on Long Island and probably came from England.

Mrs. A. R. Thomas, of 122 S. 9th street, Lafayette, Indiana, wished to know if our early records mentioned the Fenton family of New Jersey, and whether Eleazer was the first immigrant, and was given some facts as to the will of Eleazer, of Burlington county, whose will was proved in 1728, and who is supposed to have come over from England. She also inquired concerning Harmanus King, of Burlington, who came to New Jersey in 1710, from Flushing, L. I., and whose ancestors are believed to have been William and Dorothy King, who came from England in 1635. She was referred to one of our approved genealogists.

Mr. A. M. Williams, of Petosky, Mich., desired to learn the ancestor of Zenas Williams, born at Orange about 1800, removed to Port Burwell, Ontario, between 1818 and 1825, where he married Maria Merrill in 1826, and died 1842, leaving six sons, all of whom removed to Michigan. Information on this point could not be given, although the Society has some printed records concerning the Williams family, an early member of which, Amos Williams, of the Orange locality, born 1690, died 1754, married Sarah Pruden, who might have been the ancestor or of the same family.

Mr. John C. Williamson, of 2419 Eighteenth street, N. W., Washington, D. C., desired a genealogical table, if any could be

found, of the descendants of Gen. Matthias Williamson, of Elizabeth, who died in 1807. He was referred to Mr. Frederick B. Williamson of Elizabeth.

Mr. Thomas Longworth Moore, of 2032 Bathgate avenue, Bronx, New York City, wished to know the parents of his great-grandparents, Dr. John Wheeler and Elizabeth Longworth, stating that this Elizabeth Wheeler and Mary and Caroline Longworth were banished from Essex county in the early days of the Revolution for being children and wives of Tories; but that Dr. Wheeler was a surgeon in the Patriot Army.

Mr. Robert J. F. McCowan, of 35 N. Pearl street, Bridgeton, asked for records of the barracks and army hospital at Elizabeth, or any other document which would throw light on the cause of death of Constant Peck, First Lieutenant in Capt. Bloomfield's 7th company, of Col. Elias Dayton's Third Regiment Continental Line, who died or was killed at Elizabeth, March 3, 1776.

Dr. W. P. Kelley, of 1027 Fifth street, San Diego, Cal., asked for data in regard to the O'Kelley, Kelley and Kelly families, which came to America during the Colonial period.

Mrs. W. L. Kayser, of Saylor Park, Cincinnati, Ohio, sought the name of the father of Thomas Ewing, Revolutionary soldier, born 1743 at Greenwich, Cumberland county, who married Mary Ann Leefer in 1781, at Harrisburg, Pa., and removed to Ohio in 1802. She added that his grandfather, Thomas Ewing, came to the vicinity of Greenwich in 1718 and married Mary Maskell, and had a son Maskell who became sheriff in 1757, and surrogate. She supposed Maskell might have been the father of the first named Thomas.

Mrs. Helen S. Henderson, of 523 Clay street, Lynchburg, Va., desired the parentage of Deborah Montgomery, who married Col. Robert Hepburn of the Revolutionary War, stating that she thought the Hepburn and Montgomery families were Trenton families.

Mr. H. L. Everett, of 424 Walnut street, Philadelphia, asked if there was any publication concerning the Hartshorne family of Monmouth county. His grandfather was Hartshorne Lawrence, born near Middletown, who died 1827. He was referred to Stillwell's "Historical and Genealogical Miscellany," Vol. 3, which contains 22 pages on that family.

Mr. W. H. Cahoon, of 69 Gladstone avenue, Detroit, Mich., wished facts concerning Samuel Cahoon, of Gloucester, who married Hannah Davis, May 9, 1770, and of Jacob Cahoon, a New Jersey soldier in the Revolution.

Mr. Russell B. Rankin, 132 Quitman street, Newark, made inquiries concerning the Brouwer and Drake families of Somerset

county, and was furnished with some information. He has made a large collection of notes, especially concerning the Drake family, of Piscataway, Middlesex county.

Mr. Merlin Wiley, of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., desired to learn particulars of the descendants of John Hart, the signer of the Declaration of Independence. He was told that the "Pioneers of Old Hopewell," by the late Mr. Ralph Ege, gave more particulars of the family of John Hart than any work of which the writer knew.

As to other matters of interest in correspondence I note :

Mr. Ensley Moore, of Jacksonville, Ill., a member of the Illinois State Historical Society, who is writing in the Jacksonville "Daily Journal" valuable articles on prominent men and families of that part of the State, has forwarded several; for example, concerning Col. William Kinman, who married, in 1833, Ann Shinn, of Camden, daughter of John and Rebecca Shinn, and the Kinman family. Col. Kinman took part in the Black Hawk and Mormon wars. The article gives the Kinman ancestry, which was Scotch-Irish. Also an article on Capt. J. W. Zabriskie, of the Mexican war, believed to have been a resident of New Jersey in early life.

The late Professor Edward Wall, of South Orange, wrote that, early in 1914, he placed in the hands of Mr. Nelson, with a view to publication, a manuscript, entitled "Cavalry Raids in South-western Virginia, Fifty Years Ago;" that there were two manuscripts, the second containing an account of the first attack on Petersburg after Grant's campaign of '61, and asked for the return of the manuscripts, stating that "it is probable that many years will elapse before the world is sufficiently settled to warrant the publication." Prof. Wall died December 19, and his daughter repeated the request. Unfortunately the manuscript has not been found among the papers of Mr. Nelson.

Mr. H. R. Mellwaine, State Librarian of the Virginia State Library, Richmond, requested particulars about the publication, or likelihood of publication, of further volumes of the New Jersey "Archives," desiring to incorporate the fact in the annual report of the Public Archives Committee of the National Association of State Libraries.

Mr. William A. Wetzel, Principal of the High School in Trenton, stated that the school proposed to erect a bronze tablet in honor of Mr. Jacob L. Swayze, of Newton, father of the esteemed President of our Society, as probably the most prominent man responsible for the clause in our State Constitution guaranteeing a system of free public schools to all children of the State, and hoped that the Society had some matter, printed or otherwise, throwing light upon Mr. Swayze's connection with the matter. The

tablet was subsequently erected and our President was one of the speakers.

Mrs. James Parker wrote from Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas, if during the anniversary celebration in Newark there had come to light any paintings or other portraits of Robert Treat, Col. Samuel Swaine, John Ogden or Jasper Crane. The reply was in the negative.

Considerable correspondence was had with Mr. Freeman Loomis, of 60 Wall street, New York City, especially in reference to the exact location of Portland Point, where Richard Hartshorne, the English Quaker and an important man in our State's early history, settled about May, 1666, and which was not an infrequent gathering place for early Courts and other assemblages. He knew generally it was located in the Atlantic Highlands vicinity. Your Secretary got into communication with Mrs. Edward Livingston, of 325 Pennington street, Elizabeth, a Hartshorne family descendant, whose satisfactory reply was as follows:

"What I know of Portland Point has been tradition in the family since the time of Richard Hartshorne, the first of the name in America. When Richard Hartshorne left his residence on Wakake Creek, and decided to live at the Highlands of Navesink, he selected a very desirable location on the banks of the Navesink river. This spot had a home on it owned by an Englishman named Portland, who was a fisherman. Richard Hartshorne had acquired much land from the original Proprietors, but the Highland property he bought outright from the Indians. He bought the Portland house, probably lived there while erecting his own, near that one, and called that portion of his large estate the Portland Place, simply because he liked the name. That Portland Place he gave to his son William in 1702, who was born at Wakake, and William gave that part of the estate, about 200 acres, to his son Thomas, son of his second wife, Helena Willett. It has subsequently been owned by Thomas Hartshorne, wife Sarah Biles, and their daughters Sarah and Mary Hartshorne, who lived there all their lives. Portland Place, the small portion where the house stands, is now owned by Mary Hartshorne Ward, a daughter of the late Benjamin Hartshorne, whose family estate is next to the Portland Place. I believe the Benjamin Hartshorne estate, now owned by his son Robert, has always been called 'Portland.'

"The site of the Portland house is about three hundred feet east of the house. As children we were always told that the first Hartshorne house on that property was built about 1678, but that the Portland house, which stood at the east end of the garden, was much older. The land was much more of a 'Point' than it is

now. This information I had from my father's sister Sarah, who was born 1794, and died 1884."

The descent of Mrs. Livingston from Richard Hartshorne is as follows : 1. Richard Hartshorne and Mary Carr. 2. William Hartshorne and Helena Willett. 3. Thomas Hartshorne and Mary Smith. 4. Thomas Hartshorne and Sarah Biles. 5. Richard Thomas Hartshorne and Katharine Jenkins. 6. Helena K. Hartshorne, who married Edward Livingston.

Rear Admiral C. F. Goodrich, of the U. S. Navy, writing from Napanoch, N. Y., stated he was securing facts concerning the life of Lieutenant Charles G. Hunter, U. S. Navy, who, in the war with Mexico in 1847, performed one of the most notable acts in our naval history, being known thereafter as "Albarado" Hunter. The Admiral said he was variously stated to have been born in 1309 or 1812, and he had been informed that Trenton was his native place. He died in 1856. Whether he was married, and, if so, whether he left children, and where they may be found, were among the subjects of his inquiry. He added : "My object is to do justice to the memory of a gallant officer who was sadly and harshly treated. His faults were many, but his example in courage and determination ought not to be forgotten." As the Admiral suggested a visit to our Library, he was urged to come and make an investigation in our newspaper files of 1856 and other sources of information.

Learning that the Rahway Public Library was the owner of a bound file of an Elizabeth newspaper, from 1835 to 1837, a suggestion was made to those in its charge that the volume be presented to our Society, or, if not, that it should be loaned, to be kept in the Society's fireproof vaults, as there are frequent applications relating to matters occurring in Elizabeth during that period. The request was not acceded to.

The librarian of the Bayonne Free Public Library wished to know the date and place of publication of the "Bloomfield Manumission Cases," but your Secretary sought in vain for the information, finding no publication concerning Gov. Bloomfield to refer to the points named.

Mr. Frank W. Bayley, of the Copley Gallery, Boston, wished to have a list of portraits belonging to our Society, with subject and artist. The answer was given that it was not possible to immediately make up such a list, especially as the artists of many of our painted portraits are unknown, and the engraved portraits are extremely numerous.

Mr. Charles F. Johnson, of 69 Vernon street, Hartford, Conn., sent the photograph of a painting found in a Johnson house at Stratford, Conn., in the attic, stating that his father, as a child,

lived in the house of his uncle, Samuel William Johnson, about the year 1806, his parents having died; that his mother was Catharine Anne Bayard, daughter of Nicholas Bayard and Catharine Livingston, the latter being the daughter of Peter Van Brugh Livingston. "It occurs to me," wrote Mr. Johnson, "that this may be a Bayard picture, and I believe the Bayards lived in New Jersey. The picture is evidently a fine one, solidly painted, and may be a Raeburn." The painting was on canvas about 25x31 inches. The photograph was sent to Prof. E. E. Richardson, of our Society, Librarian of Princeton University, who consulted with Prof. V. L. Collins, the University's best authority on local antiquities, and with Mrs. Bayard Stockton, but without results, except the suggestion that, if it were a Bayard portrait, it probably belonged to the New York rather than to the New Jersey branch of the family, and Mr. Johnson was referred to Mrs. Thomas H. Barker, Southampton, L. I., as a descendant of the New York Bayards.

Mr. Milledge L. Bonham, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer of the Historical Society of East and West Baton Rouge, La., in correspondence concerning another subject, stated that Nicholas Bonham, an earlier settler of Bonhamton, in Piscataway township, Middlesex county, was his ancestor; that one of the descendants of Nicholas, James Bonham, went to Colleton county, South Carolina, shortly after the Revolution, and that the writer was his great-grandchild.

Miss Sarah B. Askew, of the Public Library Commission, Trenton, desired to know if our Library contained any material on the "Jersey Devil." I had to admit ignorance as to any particulars of this descendant of his Satanic Majesty.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Van Doren Honeyman,
Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT ON THE NEWARK CELEBRATION.

Newark, N. J., May 4th, 1916.

Gentlemen :—

Your Committee on the 250th Anniversary of the Settlement of Newark herewith present their report and ask your approval of our action.

Having been created in December, 1910, consideration was given as to what was the most desirable action for them to take and these considerations resulted in their practically being the first to bring the matter to the attention of the city authorities, and they gave their aid in furthering the large plans for the celebration, which consisted in part of consultations with the Mayor and City Counsel as to the proposed act of the Legislature creating the Com-

mittee of One Hundred and in facilitating its passage through the Legislature. We also deemed it our duty to make suggestions to the Mayor as to the appointment of a representative body of our Society on the Committee of One Hundred, and we obtained the naming of twenty members on the Committee. Furthermore, the Chairman of your Committee was enabled by his membership on the Executive Committee to secure the selection of our President, the Hon. Francis J. Swayze, as the orator of the day at the historic exercises on May first. As a result of the deliberation of the Executive Committee, it was finally decided to ask the New Jersey Historical Society to issue invitations to the various historical societies of the country, as well as literary, scientific and educational bodies to send delegates to the opening ceremonies, and the Committee of One Hundred furnished us, without cost, invitations for that purpose, copy of which is attached. Your Committee made such arrangements as they deemed proper to receive the delegates and entertain them at luncheon at our rooms, in accordance with the direction of the Trustees at their meeting March sixth. We were much gratified at the responses, over 200 delegates having been appointed and accepted our invitation, and we were able to obtain the registration of the names of 146 on their arrival. Unfortunately, owing to the lack of time and the suggestions of some members of the Trustees who wished to hurry the proceedings, we failed to obtain the names of all those present; but we have every reason to believe there were over 200 guests present, and we were enabled through the courtesy of the Committee of One Hundred to furnish them with reserved seats at the exercises on May first. We have endeavored to preserve copies of all the invitations and papers incident to the Celebration for filing in our library, and we believe that the guests were received in a dignified manner and every comfort and convenience properly provided for them.

We wish to extend our appreciation of the valuable aid given us by the Woman's Branch of the Historical Society who decorated the rooms and generally supervised the luncheon and assisted in receiving the lady guests who were present.

We further beg to enclose a communication from the Hon. Franklin Murphy, Chairman of the Committee of One Hundred, suggesting that the names of all our guests be sent to him in order that copies of any pamphlets, speeches or other documents be sent to them, and recommend that the same be done.

We assume that our active duties are discharged, but we recommend that the Librarian should endeavor to obtain all the records, programmes, orations and other data relating to the Celebration, and incorporate them in a portfolio or other suitable form for preservation.

We also herewith submit our accounts amounting to \$182.80 for the expenses incurred and request their payment be authorized, — all of which is respectfully submitted.

Charles Bradley, Chairman

Charles M. Lum

George R. Howe

William C. Morton

William S. Disbrow

Joseph F. Folsom

Joseph M. Riker

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

October 25th, 1916.

The largest number of purchases ever made by the Society in a single year were made during the past year, chiefly at the Nelson sale of last November. There can have been few, if any, years in which so large and important additions were made to our collections. We are indebted to Mrs. Louis Pennington for the larger part of the items purchased at the Nelson sale, but there were many other subscribers to the fund collected for the Society's use, at that time, and their names will be printed at the end of this report. Our purchases at this sale included 239 volumes, 511 pamphlets, 914 manuscripts, and 96 prints, altogether 1760 pieces. Many of the items secured are of great rarity and value, and most of them have a direct bearing upon the history of our state.

We have also received a larger sum in legacies than during any preceding year, as the bequest of ten thousand dollars, left to us by Miss Alice W. Hayes, and Miss L. Cotheal Smith's bequest of two thousand dollars, received through the Woman's Branch, have both been paid in during the year.

The total accessions for the year amount to 827 volumes, 825 pamphlets, 1513 manuscripts, and 205 miscellaneous, making a grand total of 3370 items. The unusually large number of manuscripts is due to the purchases made at the Nelson sale. Another considerable collection of manuscripts was a gift from Dr. L. D. Carman, of Washington, consisting of the papers of his father, the late General E. A. Carman, of Washington, who was living in this city at the time he entered the Union army, as Colonel of the Thirteenth Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers. This regiment was mustered in at Camp Frelinghuysen near Newark, in August, 1862. Among the papers presented is Col. Carman's orderly book, beginning with the first day of the enlistment. Another manuscript collection received during the year was presented by Mr. Frank A. Lebkuetcher, through Dr. Disbrow, and includes between five and six hundred letters and postal cards written by "Roosevelt's Rough

Riders" at the time of the Spanish-American war. We have also received from the heirs of the late Walter Beach Plume, of Orange, a second collection of genealogical records compiled by him, relating chiefly to the Beach and Plume families.

Twenty-six genealogical works have been received since last October. They are : Baskerville, Boggs, Brett, Clemens, Coddington, Conkling, Cox, Crill, Dunning, Fatout, Fenwick, Field, Hawes, Hoffman, Hord, Hunting, Morrell, Morris, Peshine, Prime, Ryerson, Schureman, Stockton, Strycker, Streets and Tyler.

The Orange Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution has presented to us a bound set of the National Year Book of that Society, complete up to the present time.

Mr. William C. Morton has presented a collection of South American curios gathered by his sister, Miss Mary B. Morton, illustrating the life of the Indians of Bolivia.

From the American Antiquarian Society we have received, as an exchange, several New Jersey Almanacs of which we had no copies, namely : The New Jersey Almanac, 1779, 1783, 1796, 1827; The New Jersey and Pennsylvania Almanac, 1805, 1815, 1816, 1817; Stewart's East and West Jersey Almanac, 1811; Smith & Forman's New York and New Jersey Almanac, 1815; Hutchin's Improved Almanac, 1844.

Mr. Clarence S. Brigham, the Librarian of the American Antiquarian Society, is now preparing a Bibliography of New Jersey Newspapers before 1820. He expects to give 'a historical sketch of every New Jersey newspaper' and "to locate all files found in the various libraries of the country." Mr. Brigham has had the use of a great deal of material prepared by Mr. Nelson and has listed the newspapers in most of the larger libraries of the state; he would be glad to list also the early New Jersey newspapers in the hands of private owners and would appreciate any assistance that may be given him in locating such files.

Three numbers of Proceedings and one volume of Collections have been published this year, and two volumes of Archives will be issued soon. We have in the library material for five more volumes which it would seem advisable to print as soon as circumstances will permit.

The attendance for the year was 5791. The unusually large number was due, in part, to the celebration of Newark's 250th anniversary, which led many persons to make historical investigations and brought to the attention of a somewhat larger public the significance of such an institution as ours.

Over five hundred letters were received during the year, most of them asking for historical or genealogical information, which very often could not be supplied without a great deal of search-

ing. In many cases it has been found impossible to find time to reply satisfactorily to our correspondents. So it has been decided, the cataloguing and other work in the library being also in arrears, to employ an assistant.

Like most of the libraries, we are suffering for lack of shelf room and filing space, and we particularly need more shelving for newspapers. Our building is large enough, fortunately, to meet our needs for some time to come, the problem being how to provide suitable shelving and to arrange it in such a manner as to avoid injuring the appearance of our rooms.

Contributors to the fund for the purchase of books at the Nelson sale, November, 1915 :

Samuel W. Baldwin
Louis Bamberger
Frank Bergen
Charles Bradley
John L. Connet
Edward A. Day
William T. Day
Forrest F. Dryden
George G. Frelinghuysen
John A. Gifford
Miss Altha E. Hatch
J. Lewis Hay
John R. Hardin
James S. Higbie
James E. Howell
Dr. Edward J. Ill
J. William Johnson
William M. Johnson

Wilbur S. Johnson
Charles M. Lum
William J. Magie
Allan Marquand
Alfred E. Mills
Franklin Murphy
Franklin Murphy, Jr.
Cortlandt Parker
R. Wayne Parker
Mrs. Louis Pennington
Mrs. E. G. Putnam
Joseph M. Riker
Wallace M. Seudder
Francis J. Swayze
Dr. Theron Y. Sutphen
G. Wisner Thorn
Marcus L. Ward

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick A. Canfield,

Chairman of the Library Committee.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

October 25th, 1916.

With profound sorrow we record the deaths of many of our members since our last meeting. Their loyalty to and interest in the Society has been of great assistance to the Board of Trustees, and our sincere sympathy is extended to the members of their families.

Life Members	Elected	Died
Theodore C. E. Blanchard, Red Bank	1890	Aug. 4, 1916
John D. Buckelew, Jamesburg	1860	Feb. 17, 1916
Mrs. Samuel R. Bucknell, Scotch Plains	1900	Jan. 8, 1904

Life Members	Elected	Died
John Carpenter, Jr., Clinton	1896	
Mrs. John F. Dryden, Bernardsville	1901	Jan. 16, 1916
Rev. Daniel R. Foster, D. D., Trenton	1875	Oct. 25, 1915
Rev. David R. Frazer, D. D., Newark	1888	Jan. 23, 1916
James L. Hays, Newark	1887	June 1, 1916
Hugh M. Herrick, Paterson	1896	Apr. 30, 1916
Hon. James E. Howell, Newark	1874	Sept. 26, 1916
William T. Hunt, Newark	1896	May 22, 1916
Mrs. A. F. R. Martin, Newark	1895	Feb. 9, 1916
Stephen J. Meeker, Orange	1886	Sept. 23, 1916
Mrs. Stephen J. Meeker, Orange	1895	Dec. 20, 1915
Mrs. Oscar B. Mockridge, Newark	1897	July 27, 1916
Matthias Plum, Madison	1896	Feb. 13, 1916
George B. Raymond, Morristown	1890	Jan. 16, 1916
F. W. Runyon, Plainfield	1896	May 14, 1912
Rev. William Hayes Ward, D. D., Newark ..	1901	Aug. 23, 1916

Contributing Members

William F. Allen, South Orange	1901	Nov. 9, 1915
Andrew W. Bray, Newark	1903	Apr. 19, 1916
Melvin S. Condit, Boonton	1907	Dec. 22, 1913
Alfred N. Dalrymple, Newark	1912	May 21, 1916
Martin Dennis, Newark	1911	Feb. 6, 1916
Col. Edward L. Dobbins, Morristown	1885	June 6, 1916
Hon. John Runkle Emery, Morristown	1873	Jan. 30, 1916
William E. Gordon, Newark	1910	Feb. 28, 1916
William Lyall, Summit	1913	Jan. 13, 1916
Oscar Michael, Orange	1909	June 11, 1916
Edwin J. Ross, Wharton	1907	Aug. 21, 1915
Dr. Henry Genet Taylor, Camden	1895	Jan. 14, 1916
Henry H. Truman, Orange	1901	Mar. 30, 1916

New Members**Patron**

Mrs. Louis Pennington, Washington, D. C.	Dec. 6, 1915
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Life Members

Henry G. Atha, Newark	Oct. 25, 1916
Dr. William H. S. Demarest, New Brunswick	Dec. 6, 1915
Dr. Britton D. Evans, Greystone Park	June 5, 1916
Arthur S. Kimball, East Orange	Oct. 25, 1916
Hon. James F. Minturn, Hoboken	Oct. 25, 1916
Capt. John J. Phelps, Hackensack	Oct. 2, 1916
Ambrose E. Vanderpoel, Chatham	Oct. 25, 1916

Contributing Members

Miss Sarah Condit, Newark	Feb. 7, 1916
John A. Craig, Paterson	Oct. 2, 1916

Hon. Cornelius Doremus, Ridgewood	Mar. 6, 1916
Edward J. Grassman, Elizabeth	Dec. 6, 1915
Mrs. Ainsworth J. Hague, Newark	Oct. 25, 1916
Morris Katzin, Newark	June 5, 1916
John Walden King, Jersey City	Dec. 6, 1915
Francis La Bau, Tarrytown, N. Y.	June 5, 1916
Samuel F. Leber, Newark	July 10, 1916
Mrs. Frederick R. Lehlbach, Newark	Oct. 25, 1916
David McGregor, East Orange	Mar. 6, 1916
Sidney H. Moore, Ridgewood	Oct. 2, 1916
Dr. Frederick W. Owen, Morristown	Apr. 3, 1916
Mrs. Henry G. Pileh, Madison	July 10, 1916
William W. Scott, Passaic	Oct. 25, 1916
Rev. Charles H. Stewart, D. D., Newark	May 8, 1916
John P. Wall, New Brunswick	May 8, 1916
Miss Mary Louise Wheeler, Newark	Feb. 7, 1916
Mrs. Florence E. Youngs, New York City	Oct. 25, 1916

Resignations are as follows :

John V. Bacot, Utica, New York.

John A. Bergen, Trenton.

Palmer Campbell, Hoboken.

John M. Connor, Jr., Metuchen.

Samuel Freeman, Morristown.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Lawrence Boggs,

Chairman Membership Committee.

LIST OF DONORS, 1915—1916.

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Andrews, Frank D.		3		
Applegate, Maxey			4	
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Barratt, Hon. Norris S.	1			
Barry, William E.			2	
Baruch, Dr. Simon		1		
Biddle, Richard	1			
Black, William	147	25	6	4
Boggs, J. Lawrence		21	1	
Bradley, Charles	1	2	2	
Broadwell, William H.			8	
Brown, Rev. Josiah J.	1			

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Conkling, William J.		1		
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Hall, Granville D.		1		
Halsey, Mrs. Edmund D.	1			
Harrison, Miss Emily G.				1
Hasse, Miss Adelaide R.	1			
Headley, Elroy	1	1		
Higgins, Miss Mary E.	2			1
Hoerner, Mrs. Harry J. (Woman's Branch)		1		
Hoffman, Samuel V.	3			
Holland Society of New York	4		1	
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Hord, Rev. A. H.	1			
Howell, Hon. James E.	3	13		

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Mortan, Miss Mary B.			1	
Muchmore, William K.	1			
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Newark Evening News	2			
Norton, Oliver Wilcox	1	1		
Ogden, Mrs. Sydney N. (Woman's Branch)			1	1
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Osborne, Mrs. Joseph A.			1	
Osborne, William Hamilton				1
Parker, Hon. Charles W.	1			1
Parker, Mrs. Charles W. (Woman's Br.)	4			
Parker, Sir Gilbert	2	8		
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Parvin, Newton R.	1			

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Plume, William F.	5	19	25	10
Plume, Mrs. Hannah A.				
Plume, Miss Edith M.				
Mills, Mrs. W. Fred				
Plumb, W. D.				1
Robbins, Leonard H.				1
Robatham, Cheslar			6	
Roeder, Adolph		1		
Sands, Miss Emma Louise (Woman's Branch)	1	1		
Sellers, Edwin Jacquett	1			
Skinner, Mrs. Charles H.			5	
Slade, Mrs. J. M.	3		5	
Smith, Miss Dora (Woman's Branch)			1	
Smith, George D.		1		
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Walton, Perry	2			
Westervelt, Mrs. Wm. H. (Woman's Br.)	1		4	3
Williams, Dr. Edward H.	1			
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Woodruff, Mrs. Caleb L.	44			
Woodward, William W.		1		
Wren, Christopher		1		
Wright, Miss G. R.		1		
Wrightson, Dr. James T.			2	
Young, David	1			

This list does not include the names of Societies with which we exchange publications.

Additions and Corrections.

To the bibliography of the celebration of Newark's two hundred and fiftieth anniversary printed on page 126 and following of this volume may be added these items;

"The Pelican" for May, 1916, published by the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, containing historical material especially related to the Company, with pictures of its successive home buildings and an illustrated cover. Twelve pages.

"Town Talk" for May 6, 1916, published at Newark, appearing as a special anniversary number, with extended account of dinner to Hon. Franklin Murphy on April 30, 1916, and pictures of prominent speakers and guests, and a birds-eye view of the banquet. Sixteen pages.

"The Worker, Newark's 250th Anniversary Number", published by the Boy's Industrial School, Newark, New Jersey, containing a variety of brief sketches of features of Newark's history with illustrations. Twenty pages and cover.

A correction should be made in the date given on page 113 of this volume for the appointing of the Society's committee on the 250th Anniversary of Newark. The committee was appointed by President Jonathan W. Roberts on December 5, 1910. A typographical error makes it 1916.

TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS.

Cemetery, Markot St., Opposite Seeley St., Paterson, N. J.

Lucinda Redman, wife of Charles S. Kinsey, d. Sept. 10—1856
—aged 55 years.

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